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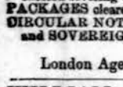

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Chief Presidency Magistrate.

(EMPIRE OF INDIA LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LD.)
vs.
COOVERJI RASTAMJI KERAWALLA.

WITH reference to the above prosecution for Defamation the following APOLOGY was given by Mr. Kerawalla in Court to-day:—

"That he NEVER USED the Words "THE COMPANY IS GOING INTO LIQUIDATION": if what he said on different occasions, he observe regarding it, that there is no GROUND for such an ALLEGATION."

16th February, 1900.

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NOTICE.

THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 32, Elphinstone Circle, at 3-30 p.m., on FRIDAY, the 23rd February, 1900, to receive the Director's Report, pass the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1899, declare a dividend, elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election, appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and transact any other business that may be brought forward.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Sunday, the 18th February, to Monday, the 5th March, 1900, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors
H. BLACKWELL,
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TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of BAI PHEMBAI, widow of THAKER HURJEE MOHUNJEE late of Bombay, Hindoo, Inhabitant, Deceased.

THAKER DAMJEE BHIMJI and THAKER GOORJEE DHARJI, both of Bombay Hindoo two of the Executors according to the tenor of the said Will ..... Petitioners.

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovementioned Deceased, are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness, SIR LAWRENCE H. JENKINS, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid, the 12th day of February, in the year of our Lord, One thousand and nine hundred, and in the Sixty-third year of our Reign.

L. N. BANAJI,
Registrar.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

D. B. BINNING,
The 12th day of February, 1900.

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By Order of the Municipal Commissioner,

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3. Forms of certificates are obtainable from the Deputy Commissioner of plague operations, Bombay or from the Cantonment Magistrate or Chief Plague Authority, Poona City, or from the Superintendent Mahableshwar, Panchgani.

4. Those intending to visit Panchgani or Mahableswar, should communicate with the Superintendent at least seven days in advance, except in cases of sudden illness, when the Superintendent should be immediately communicated with by telegram.

6. The attention of Heads of offices is invited to Government Resolutions General Department, Nos 4492-P. dated 17th July, and 8616-P, dated 20th December 1899, with reference to Government servants proceeding to Mahableshwar or Panchgani on duty.

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Departure of Lord and Lady Sandhurst for Europe, per P. and O. mail steamer.

Bombay Races, Fourth Day.

Royal Bombay Yacht Club Races.

Departure of Sir Robert Low on tour, 2 p.m.

Byculla Club, Half-yearly General Meeting, 9-30 p.m.

Music on the Esplanade 8-45 p.m.

Harmston's Circus, 9-15 p.m.

Novelty Theatre, Ada Delroy Company.

TO-MORROW.

Sun rises, 6h. 27m. Sun sets, 6h. 2m. High water, 1-13m., 1-32a. Low water, 7-3m., 7-8a.

MUSIC.—The Band of the 21st Bo. I. Marine Battalion will play at the Mahalaxmi Races, at 4 p.m., to-day.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.—The Bishop of Bombay will preach in the Cathedral, on Sunday evening.

SION CYCLING CLUB.—Members will meet at the Club premises to-morrow (Sunday) morning, at 6-45, for a ride to Vehar Lake and back.

PARSEE CYCLING CLUB.—Owing to the present bad weather members will not meet at Sir R. Temple's Statue, on Sunday morning for a run, but will mess in the Club Tent in the evening.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Natal, Cape Colony, Delagoa Bay and Transvaal, per s. s. Congella via Madras, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 7 p. m., on Wednesday, the 21st instant.

AN INSURANCE COMMISSION CASE.—In the case against the Empire of India Assurance Company, Bourgaji by Mr. Hormusji M. Batlivala, Mr. Munchanbhai appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Rustam Kama, of Messrs. Thakurdas Dharamsey and Kama, represented the Assurance Company.

SALVATION ARMY, BORI BUNDER.—To-morrow, at 7-30 p.m., Commissioner Higgins, assisted by Head-quarters-Staff will conduct the memorial service of the late Captain H. Frances Smith, who was as well-known in Bombay and for the last sixteenth months has worked at the Civil, Naval and Military Corps in Bombay.

THE ADA DELROY COMPANY.—The last performance in Bombay of the Ada Delroy Company takes place to-night, when a special programme will be presented. To avoid disappointment readers should secure their seats early, as there is sure to be a crowded house. To-night the drawing takes place for two bicycles, which are to be given away.

MILL HANDS' GRIEVANCE.—On Thursday afternoon, about three hundred mill-hands of the Dhun Mills, at Worlee, went to the office of Mr. Wadia, the agent, at Hornby Road, to demand two months' arrears of pay. The operatives were induced to go to the mill, where, Mr. Wadia said, the manager would pay them.

THE ORIENTAL MILLS TO BE SOLD.—On the application of Mr. Macpherson, instructed by Messrs. Cragie, Lynch and Owen, on behalf of Mr. C. A. Turner, the liquidator of the Oriental Spinning and Weaving Company, the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell made an order in Chambers, at the High Court, yesterday, for the sale of the mill. The date of sale will be fixed hereafter.

A CHARGE OF CHEATING.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, acting Third Presidency Magistrate, Pranjivandas Kalandas, a landed proprietor, was charged by Messrs. B. Nusservanji & Co., jewellers, with cheating in respect of a packet of 50 diamonds valued at Rs. 2,385. Mr. Sealy, barrister, appeared for the complainant; and Mr. Goolsebhud, solicitor, defended the accused. On the application of Mr. Sealy the charge was allowed to be withdrawn and the accused was discharged.

REPORTED THEFT OF ORNAMENTS.—Ragoonathdas Mathooradas, a Hindu, who resides at Hunooman Lane, closed his room, on the 12th instant, in consequence of a case of plague occurring thereon and went to reside elsewhere leaving his goods and chattel behind. Two days after the room was opened by the police authorities and disinfected. On Thursday morning complainant went to his room and found a small box open and gold ornaments, of the value of Rs. 1,515, stolen therefrom.

DEATH OF MR. BALWANTRAO NANA SHETE.—We regret to announce the sudden and untimely death of Mr. Balwantrao Nana Shet at his own family residence in the old Sonapur Lane, on Tuesday the 13th inst., after only 48 hour's illness. He belonged to a leading family of the Dawadnya community of which he was one of the Shetias. He was employed in the Loco Superintendent's office, G. I. P. Railway Parel, and had an amiable, sociable and kind disposition. The deceased leaves behind him a widow, four young sons, besides a very large number of relations and friends to bemoan his loss.

MUSIC ON THE ESPLANADE.—By kind permission of Lieutenant-Colonel R. L. Trevithick, A. D. C., and Officers the Band of the G. I. P. Railway Volunteers will play the following programme, at the Esplanade Bandstand, commencing at 5.45 P.M. to-day :—

March	Le Duc D'Orleans ..... Auber.
Overture	Rococo ..... Heimund.
Serenade	Adeline Patti ..... Mascheroni.
Mazurka	Selection, The Telephone Girl ..... Clover.
Polka	Piccolo Solo ..... A. Celing.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A CART DRIVER.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquiry yesterday, at the J. J. Hospital, regarding the death of Luximon Koudaji, aged thirty-five years. The deceased was a cart-driver and had no fixed place of residence. On the 10th instant, while the plague officers were examining houses at Parel, they found Luximon lying there with his jaws locked and body stiff. He was sent to the J. J. Hospital, where it was ascertained that the lock-jaw was the result of a wound he had sustained on the middle finger of his left hand. The deceased on being questioned said that about a fortnight ago the wheel of his carriage accidentally passed over his finger. After admission fever set in and he died on Thursday. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

A DEFAMATION CASE.—At the Esplanade Police Court yesterday, Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case, in which Mr. E. F. Allum, Head Manager of the Empire of India Life Assurance Company, charged Cooverji Rustomji Kerawalla with defamation, Mr. Donald, barrister-at-law, instructed by Mr. Rustom K. R. Cama, solicitor, prosecuted; while Mr. Payne, solicitor, defended the accused. The evidence showed that on the 16th December last the accused stated to Ragunath W. Pilgaonkar, book-keeper in Soundy & Co., that the Company was going into liquidation. The accused denied having ever used the words attributed to him. Mr. Payne said that his clients had never used the words and if what he said was taken to mean what the complainant alleged accused expressed his regret and said there was no ground for making the allegation. Mr. Donald accepted the apology provided the accused advertised it in the newspapers. The charge was compounded and the accused acquitted.

HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon. the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE TYABJI.)

APPEAL AGAINST AN ADJUDICATION ORDER.

IN THE MATTER OF ELLEN ATKINS.

THIS was an appeal by Ellen Atkins from a decision of the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell, who, in September last, adjudged her insolvent on the application of Mr. E. C. O'Brien, Mr. Inverarity, instructed by Mr. M. A. Vakil, appeared for the appellant; and Mr. Rivett-Carnac, instructed by Messrs. Smetham, Bland and Noble, appeared for the opponent, Mr. E. C. O'Brien.

The appellant, in her petition of appeal, stated that she was adjudicated an insolvent on the petition of the opponent in September last by the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell. On the 16th October, petitioner obtained a rule calling upon the opponent to show cause why the order of adjudication should not be revoked. That rule was argued, and adjudication order was confirmed. The appellant filed her appeal on the grounds that the Commissioner had erred in holding that the petitioner had committed an act of insolvency on the 24th August last; that he ought to have held that the conveyance of the house to Hurjivan, and the sale of immoveable property, to Mr. E. E. F. Glen, were not fraudulent within the meaning of the Act; that he erred in holding that the petitioner was a trader within the meaning of section 9; and that he ought not to have discharged the rule, but ought to have made it absolute with costs.

Dinshaw, for the appellant, read several affidavits filed by his client, the respondent and others, and said they contained nothing to show that his client had done anything fraudulent in the manner in which she had carried on her transactions. She had stated the manner in which she had paid away the Rs. 15,000 realised by the sale of her house, and the opposite side had not attempted to call witnesses to disprove her statement. His client had looked upon the decree obtained against her by O'Brien as an unjust one, and being pressed by other creditors she had sold her property to pay the latter. She did not consider at the time that she owed any thing to O'Brien. Even supposing that she was a trader, there was no evidence to support the allegation that she had shown undue preference. His client had stated she had not kept a boarding house at the time of the adjudication; and consequently was not a trader. In that she was supported by Mr. Glen. Counsel submitted that his client could, therefore, not be held to be a trader at the time of her adjudication. In selling her property his client had only endeavoured to pay off pressing creditors. There was nothing to show that she must have shared the amounts realised equally between all her creditors. He submitted the order of adjudication ought to be revoked.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac, for the respondent, submitted that the sale of the house was only a sham, and that there was nothing produced to show the money had been received from purchase money. He submitted that it was a suspicious thing that she had sold the house on the very day the decree was given against her in favour of O'Brien.

The Chief Justice considered that was the very thing an irritated woman would do, for she might have made up her mind that O'Brien should have nothing and had sold the property at once so as to pay off her other creditors.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac submitted that the house could easily have been sold for Rs. 30,000. The fact that it had been undervalued was another suspicious incident.

The Chief Justice said if the sale had not been a bona fide one, she would have stated the houses was sold for more than Rs. 15,000.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac said other suspicious circumstances were that no receipt for the money had been produced. The Court had to decide whether the sale was in contravention of section 53 of the Insolvency Act. It was sufficient if he could show that the sale of any part of the property was fraudulent or intended to give undue preference to certain creditors. It was important to remember that there had been secrecy in regard to the sale. With reference to the furniture, although Mr. Glen was said to have purchased it the appellant had still remained in charge of it.

Counsel had not concluded his arguments when the Court adjourned.

YACHT CLUB RACES.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Ship's boats (any rig) Handicap race to start at 3 p.m.

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Yacht's (class B) Handicap race—Start at 3-15.

Yatch's name.	Entered by
Pixies	Messrs E R Smetham and G E Howse
Eileen	Mr C A R Crommelin
Ian	Capt W F Potts

Course No. 6, viz, same as above.

Yacht's (class A) Handicap race—Start at 3-30.

Turquoise	Mr E S Lord
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Cliffa	Mr K Comber
Stella	Col H W Boyd, I M S
Isca	Mr James P Chystal

Course No. 5, viz, from Committee Vessel round North Karanja Buoy and round Sunk Rock, there finishing at Committee Vessel, leaving all marks to starboard. Length of course 8·8 miles.

Tomtit Class Race—Start at 3-45.

Boat's name.	Entered by
Vomba	Mr R H H Hopkins
Coralie	Mr C H Byrne

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THE B I S N Co's s s Okara, 3,438 tons, Captain F W Fry, will sail to-day for Rangoon in ballast.

THE B I S N Co's s s Ghazipur, 3,438 tons, Captain G Brown sailed yesterday for Rangoon in ballast.

THE s s Ghosmin, 2,348 tons, Captain J W Learmouth, cleared outward for the Continent with cotton.

THE B I S N Co's s s Juba, 134 tons, Captain W Wilson, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Mombasse, in ballast.

THE s s Israr, 2,078 tons, Captain J McKay, arrived in harbour yesterday from Newport, (21st January,) in ballast.

THE s s Tientsin, 2,550 tons, Captain J Fox, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Kobe, (19th January) with a general cargo

THE B I S N Co's s s India, 2,590 tons, Captain J W Robertson, will sail to-day for Zanzibar, &c, with a general cargo and Captain Jackson and 6 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's s s Pemba, 956, tons, Captain R H Martyr, which arrived in harbour on Thursday evening from Persian Gulf via Karrachee, brought a general cargo, 50 cases opium, 8 horses and the following passengers:—The Hon'ble H E M James, C S I, Maria Saloon, one Jewish lady, Mr and Mrs Richardson, Mr A C Pahlbom, Mr Ardeshir, Mr Rahimtoola and friend, Mr Alli bin Juma and 62 deck.

ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
16	Arabia s	Parfitt	Aden, Feb 11
	Tientsin s	Fox	Kobe, Jan 19
	Israr s	McKay	Newport, Jan 21
	Juba s	Wilson	Mombassa
	St. Ninian s	Ramsay	Calcutta, Feb 5.
	Nizam s	Elliot	Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
16	Obra s	Brown	Rangoon.
	Dumra s	Russell	Karachi.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Steamer Ghosmin, Learmouth, for Karachi.
" Elbora, Wilson, for Chittagong.
" India, Roberts, for Zanzibar, &c.
" Okara, Fry, for Rangoon.

The following vessels left their moorings yesterday:—

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" Juba for Mombasa.
" Pemba for Persian Gulf via Karrachee.

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THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

SPION KOP ABANDONED.

BRITISH RETREAT ACROSS THE TUGELA.

(Compiled from the mail papers of Jan. 26 to Feb. 2.)

THE capture of Spion Kop by General Warren's Division, which we announced last week, proved unavailing in the second attempt of Sir Redvers Buller to reach and relieve Ladysmith. The Boers hotly contested our occupation and after fierce fighting, which lasted throughout Wednesday week, and during which the British losses were very heavy, it was decided to abandon the Kop. Sir Charles Warren's forces then retired to the south of the Tugela the retreat being conducted in masterly fashion, and being unmolested by the enemy.

On Sunday General Buller is alleged to have told his troops that he had gained the key of the situation and that he hoped to be in Ladysmith within a week. According to the latest telegrams from the front, it appears to be generally believed in General Buller's camp that a supreme effort for the relief of Ladysmith is impending. The troops are eager to be again led against the Boers. Meantime the Ladysmith garrison are calmly confident of their ability to hold out as long as may be necessary

The total British casualties in the Upper Tugela fighting are estimated at 1,400.

There are indications that the advance of the British troops in Cape Colony towards the Orange Free State will not be much longer delayed. General Kelly-Kenny's Division is stated to be in the neighbourhood of Rosmead, and the scouts of Generals French and Gatacre have come into touch, between Rensburg and Sterkstroom. Lord Kitchner is reported to be actively engaged in perfecting the transport arrangements.

Kimberley has been heavily bombarded recently, but shows no sign of weakening in its gallant defence, while Mafeking still holds out.

UNABLE TO HOLD THE POSITION.

The following telegram was posted at the War Office on Friday morning :—

From General Sir Redvers Buller to Secretary of State for War (received January 26, 6 a.m.).

Spearman's Camp, 12-5 p.m., January 25.—Warren's Garrison, I am sorry to say, I and this morning, had in the night abandoned Spion Kop.

RETREAT ACROSS THE TUGELA.

GENERAL BULLER'S DESPATCH.

The following despatch from General Sir Redvers Buller was received by the Secretary of State for War on Sunday :—Spearman's Camp, January 27, 6-10 p.m.—On January 20 Sir Charles Warren, as I have reported, drove back the enemy, and obtained possession of the Southern crests of the high table-land which extends from the Inton Houses-Hongers Poort to the western Ladysmith hills. From then to the 25th he remained close in contact with the enemy, who held a strong position in a range of small kopjes stretching from north-west to south-east across the plateau from Inton Homes, through Spion Kop, to the left bank of the Tugela. The actual position held was perfectly tenable, but did not lend itself to advance, as the southern slopes were so steep that Sir C. Warren could not get an effective artillery position, and the supply of the troops with water was a difficulty. On the 23rd (I) assented to his attacking Spion Kop, a large hill—indeed, a mountain—which was evidently the key of the position, but was far more accessible from the north than from the South. On the night of the 23rd he seized Spion Kop, but found it very difficult to hold, as its perimeter was too large, and water, which he had once had to believe existed in this exceptionally dry season, was found very seldom. The crests were held all that day against severe attacks and heavy shell fire. Our men fought with great gallantry, and I would especially mention the conduct of the 2nd Cameronians and 3rd King's Royal Rifles Corps, who supported the attack on the mountain from the steepest side, and in each case fought their way to the top, and the 2nd Lancashire Fusiliers and 2nd Middlesex, who magnificently maintained the best traditions of the British Army throughout the long day of the 24th, and Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry, who fought throughout the day equally well alongside of them. Major-General Woodgate, who was in command at the summit, being wounded, the officer who succeeded him decided on the night of the 24th-25th to abandon the summit, and did so before daylight. 25th. I reached Sir C. Warren's camp at 5 a.m. on the 25th (Thursday), and decided that a second attack on Spion Kop would be useless, and that the enemy's right was too strong to allow me to force it. Accordingly I decided to withdraw the forces on the south of the Tugela. At 6 a.m. (Thursday) we commenced withdrawing the train, and by 8 a.m., the 27th (Saturday), Sir C. Warren's force was concentrated south of the Tugela without the loss of a man or a gun, and in fact the enemy failed to locate the actual withdraw from actual touch—in cases the lines were less than 1,000 yards apart—with the enemy in the perfect manner it did is. I think, sufficient evidence of the morale of the troops, and that we were permitted to withdraw our cumbrous ox and mule transport across a river 85 yards broad with 20ft. banks and a very swift stream, unmolested, is, I think, proof that the enemy has been taught to respect our soldiers' fighting powers,

COLONEL THORNEYCROFT'S RESPONSIBILITY.

GENERAL BULLER'S TRIBUTE.

General Buller has sent the following message to the Secretary of State for War :—

Spearman's Camp, January 31.—Colonel Thorneycroft's is the officer who ordered the retirement from Spion Kop. It is due to him to say that I believe his personal gallantry saved a difficult situation early on the 24th, and that under a loss of at least forty, per cent. he displayed throughout the most conspicuous courage and ability throughout the day. No blame whatever for the withdrawal is, in my opinion, attributable to him ; and I think his conduct throughout was admirable.

THE TOTAL CASUALTIES IN THE RECENT FIGHTING.

The fragmentary form of the return of the losses of General Buller's forces during the turning movement on the River Tugela does not lend itself to easy compilation of the exact number of the casualties. The lists are spread over several days and refer to several engagements, and hence it is exceedingly difficult to arrive at the precise total. But the following table (says the "Daily Telegraph") will be found approximately correct. It includes the preliminary skirmishing on Jan. 17 and 19, and the fighting at Venter's Spruit on Jan. 20 and 21, as well as the severe engagement on Spion Kop on Wednesday, Jan. 24, and it should be seen that the total is nearly 1,400 killed, wounded, and missing. Of these 92 are officers. The Lancashire Fusiliers have suffered the most severely, having 24 officers and close on 350 men. Assuming the proportion of officers to men is terribly high. The actual casualties on Wednesday, Jan. 24, on the night of which Spion Kop was abandoned, appears to have been as follows :—

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing
Officers	29	31	6
Men	175	521	66
	204	552	72

The grand total of the losses on the 24th was thus 833 as nearly as can be ascertained.

BEFORE THE RETREAT.

CONFIDENCE IN THE BRITISH CAMP.

Spearman's Camp, January 26, 9 a.m.—Sir Charles Warren obtained Sir Redvers Buller's permission to make an attack on Spion Kop, which he considered the key to the Boer position. He commenced the attack at daybreak, and his force was supplemented by Lyttelton's Brigade. The Boer position was on the apex of Spion Kop, and the fighting that ensued was of the most gallant and brilliant character. The enemy raised a persistent fire from their Nordenfeldt guns on our men as they advanced. Every inch of ground was hotly contested, and the enemy's resistance was most stubborn. Our troops, however, were not to be denied, and a steady advance along the enemy's left flank was maintained. The position was fiercely defended by the Boers, and was so entrenched as almost to be impregnable. Our men fought with the utmost coolness and steadiness, and as illustrated the stubborn character of a most pugnacious character, and forced the enemy to retire to another stronghold. The Mounted Infantry, leaving their horses behind, and being reinforced by the regular Infantry, were led against this. They poured a hot fire on the enemy at a range of 700 yards, and were subjected to a very heavy shell fire, which still continues.—Exchange Telegraph Company.

A BAYONET CHARGE.

Spearman's Camp, Friday, 9 a.m.—On Tuesday night General Warren's infantry made a sudden attack upon the Boer position on Spion Kop. Mounting the precipitous sides of the hill they charged the entrenchments. The enemy fled before our advance, evidently being taken by surprise. Two Boers were killed, and the remainder of the force who held the summit, was dispersed. The attack had been immediately preceded by an admirable and effective shell fire upon the Boer position. On Wednesday very heavy fighting commenced, and continued all day without the slightest cessation. The fighting was of the most desperate nature. The enemy poured a terrific shell fire on the captured Kop from their big guns, while their Maxims and Nordenfelds were also brought into play. The lighter artillery of the enemy was very destructive to our troops, who however gallantly maintained their position. Attempts were made by our artillery to locate the smaller but more destructive guns of the Boers in order that our fire might be concentrated upon them. The attempts to do so, however, were not very successful. At nine o'clock our infantry gallantly stormed and carried another trench occupied by the enemy, and the troops held this advanced position until their ammunition gave out. The Boers were not slow to notice that something was amiss, and, encouraged by the silence of our men's rifles, a strong force of the enemy crept up to the forward trench, and actually came right in the trench. Here they had a taste of the bayonets of the British infantry. The conflict was short but bloody, and the Boers gave way before the fixed bayonets and retired sullenly, not, however, without having secured a few of our men as prisoners. Reinforcements were poured into the positions we had captured, and those positions were splendidly maintained under a murderous fire from the Boer trenches until darkness put a stop to the fray. The con

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BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 16.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols ..... 100 15-16 plus 3-16
3 per Cent. French Rentes ..... 100 1-2 unchanged.
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan 109 1-2
3 1-2 " Govt. Securities... 64 1-16—1-16"
Bar Silver ..... 27 1-2—1-8
" New York .....
Exchange on London at Paris ... 25 20 1-2—1-2
" New York .....
Discount Bank of England 4 per cent unchanged.
" Short London Bill 3 7-8 plus 1-8
" Indian Bank Bills 3 7-8 plus 1-8

COTTON.—The Liverpool Cotton Market closed easier. Surats dull. Manchester was firm. Total sales 8,000 bales. Sold on speculation and for exports 300 bales. Surats, nill. Imports, 8,000 bales. Arrivals closed easier.

Middling Americahs..... 5 0-42—1-16
Mid Uplands in Liverpool.—

Feb.	Feb.-March	March.-Apl.	May-June	June-July
4-63	4-59	4-56	4-49	4-47
1-4	—1-4	—1-4	—1-5	—1-4

EXCHANGE.—During the week the Market has been quiet, the rate for telegraphic keeping up at 1-4 1-8 for ready until this morning, when only one or two sellers would give this rate, the others quoting 1-4 3-32 which became the general rate later in the day. In the early part of the week, 1-4 3-32 T T was done for all March, afterwards to the 20th until finally February was the latest date up to which Banks would sell at this rate.

For Demand, there have been sellers to some extent throughout the week at 1-4 5-32, going as far as third week in April until to-day, when one Bank alone sold early in the morning for the first mail in March, arriving down to this or next mail during the day.

Credits have been very scarce and have met with few concessions until to-day when some ready bills were placed at 1-4 11-32. Discounts in London having again advanced; coming at 3 7-8d. per cent. to-day, per 3 and 6 months sights, disineline Banks to tower their buying rate especially for near delivery.

MONEY.—The Bank of Bombay reduced its rate of interest ou Loans by 1 per cent making it now stand at 8 per cent being the same as the Bank of Bengal.

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GOVERNMENT PAPER.—The flutuations during the week have purely nominal rates closing to-day for ready and 1st March, practically the same as at the of last week, Rs. 95·6 for ready, 95-8 1st March.

STOCKS AND SHARES.—In face of the bad times we are passing through there is not much disposition on the part of investors to operate, and shares of all sorts are more or less quiet with prices tending easy.

FREIGHTS.—Since last week rates have come down fully 1s. 6d. with very little business doing.

The only fixtures being the "Maxican Prince" for London, at 20s. 6d., February, and the "Wadon" for picked ports at 22s., February, March loading.

There does not appear much change of business im proving until either there is a further rise in Home rates, or a drop on this side.

The supposed strong Enquiry for the Rice Ports is hardly borne out by facts, as there has only been one teamer fixed since our last report.

In spite of the wretchedly bad times, and in face of the heavy losses incurred by speculators, it is decidedly encouraging to hear that a new firm of speculators is about to start business.

COALS.—There has not been much doing during the week and consequently there is very little fresh business to report.

1,500 tons Deshargur were placed at Rs. 15 for September-October shipment, while re-sales of Jardine's, Bird's, Muir's have been made at Rs. 14-0 Rs. 13-8, Rs. 13-4 respectively, and also some Singareni at Rs. 13-0, Deshargur having been re-sold at Rs. 15-8.

The following are the quotations f or coal alonside.

		Rs.
Japan		14
Singarini		13 1-2
Deshargar	Bengal	15 1-2
Muir's Navigation	"	13 1-2
Jardines	"	14
Seebpore	"	15

WHEAT—has been neglected and the price remains unchanged at Rs. 5-7-0.

SEEDS.—Linseed has been in good request and prices have advanced 8 annas per cwt during the week, Rs. 8-13-6 being the present rate.

Caster.—Rs. 39 is asked for readly while for April May Rs. 40 is named.

Gingelly.—has also risen in price since our last and is now quoted 8 annas to 12 annas per candy higher.

Rape.—For all qualities 1 annas above last week's rates is asked.

Taking it all round there has been a large business put through in seeds during the week.

The Cotton Market has been very firm all week and prices have advanced in sympathy with the rise in American Cotton. There has been more enquiry from shippers during the past few days than for some time past, and a considerable business has been put through both in ready and forward contracts at prices which show a considerable advance on those ruling last mail day. The demand for Local consumption continues only on a "hand-to-mouth" scale which is perhaps hardly surprising considering the advance in the raw material is so much greater than it has been in yarn. The demand for Bengals continues, especially from Japan shippers, and the ready rates have gradually got nearer to the Sutta rate for March. In Broach some settlements, have taken place and there is an undercurrent of uneasiness in the Sutta rate caused doubtlers by the knowledge that lose stocks are ready at Colaba, for delivry on March 15th against sales made some time ago. The demand for Japan has increased lately but shippers complain bitterly of the difficulty of securing freight, and business is checked considerably in consequence. It looks as if the buyers in Japan would have to pay extra prices for their Cotton owing to the unsatisfactory arrangements in freight —fellers find it necessary to ask extra rates owing to the charges incurred on their cotton while awaiting shipment. Receipts into Bombay continue on a small scale as compared with last year and the total to date shows a fallling of 263,000. Rs. The shortage this week ane being 57,000. Rs.

SHIPMENTS for the season are Rs. 118,000 hebind same time lass year. The deficiency te Europe being Rs. 108,000 and to Japan Rs. 18,000 while China hastaken also 13,000 some.

Bengal Fine...	227		
" F. G.....	221	Feb. 25th	
Khandeish.....	230	Feb-Mar	
Oomras.....	230 to 235.		
Broach good...	237	Mar. 15th to 25th	
Bhawnagar "	233	May 15th to 25th	
Dharwar "	241		
Western Good	230	May-June	

The following are to-day's quotations for full-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool via Canal, without commission, viz :—

	Per Candy.	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	Rs. 227—4 13-32	
Do. Fully Good.....	" 221—4 5-16	
Do. good 15-25 March	" 223—4 3-8	
Bolsaa, Fine	" 228—4 13-32	
Do. Fully Good.....	" 223—4 11-32	
Khandeish, Fully Good	" 227 to 228 229—4 13-32	
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The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparisons with the previous two years :—

Receipts.	1900. Bales.	1899. Bales.	1898. Bales.
For the week	39,042	29,840	56,994
From 1st Jan. to 15th Feb.....	238,845	262,880	301,107
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week	2,539	10,120	9,935
From 1st Jan. to 15th Feb.....	18,531	32,063	43,602
Clearances to China, Japan, Calcutta, &c.			
For the week	2,143	2,236	1,031
From 1st Jan. to 15th Feb.....	48,359	31,660	39,830

The comparative imports of Wheat and Seeds are as under :—

	1900. Cwts.	1899. Cwts.	1898. Cwts.
Wheat for the week.....	83,840	56,161	34,123
Do. from 1st Jan. to 15th Feb.	190,248	283,631	169,254
Linseed for the week.....	2,572	61,381	34,489
Do. from 1st Jan. to 15th Feb.	17,385	222,165	169,049
Rapeseed for the week.....	1,037	21,695	10,871
Do. from 1st Jan. to 15th Feb.	14,682	135,045	38,466
Gingelly for the week.....	69,358	65,508	84,241
Do. from 1st Jan. to 15th Feb.	730,825	559,980	363,190

The clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows :—

	1900. Cwts.	1899. Cwts.	1898. Cwts.
Wheat for the week.....	.....	21,345	.....
Do. from 1st January to 15th February ...	.....	2,53,274	.....
Linseed for the week	.....	33,146	58,183
Do. from 1st January to 15th February ...	44,838	281,893	364,804
Rapeseed for the week	6,002	4,289	28,515
Do. from 1st January to 15th February	133,999	176,708	130,699
Gingelyseed for the week	14,001	35,992	32,003
Do. from 1st January to 15th February ...	471,529	483,935	993,508

PIECE GOODS.—Business about 8,800 pakages; local made about 1,600 bales; in local yarns a good business.

GREY GOODS.—A moderately good demand continues, and rates are well supported. Many of the Bazaar dealers are willing sellers at current figures. Rates generally are same as before, although the drift in some cases is upwards stocks show no change. Latter accounts from Cowapore and Delhi are encouraging.

BLEACHED GOODS.—As the rates of Egyptian cotton are going up fine makes are going up in values. The dealers send their orders in large quantities but they are not accepted.

RED GOODS.—No change to report this week.

LOCAL GOODS.—Good demand at last week's rates.

LOCAL YARNS.—The China buyers are buying freely; spinners rather firmer.

Current Quotations of local made piece goods and yarns on Friday, 16th February, 1900, are as under :—

PIECE GOODS.—Market Steady.

	Inches.	Yards.	Weight in lbs.	Net rates per lb. as. cents.
T Cloths	16 to 18	12 to 22	1 1-4 to 2 1-2	@90 to 7·00
Do	24 to 31	20 to 24	4 to 7	@25 to 6·75
Long Cloths	30 to 44	30 to 38	7 to 12	@25 to 6·75
Do	45 to 55	33 to 38	7 to 12	@25 to 6·75
Domestics	15 to 27	30 to 66	3 to 16	@50 to 6·75
Do	27 to 27	67 to 72	14 to 28	@50 to 6·75
Chadders	35 to 54	4 to 6	1 to 3	@25 to 6·75
Do	54 to 72	5 to 6	2 1-2 to 4	@25 to 6·75
Plain Dhoties	30 to 27	4 to 7	1-2 to 1 1-4	@50 to 6·75
Do	30 to 45	8 to 11	1 1-4 to 2 1-4	@50 to 6·75
Red Bordered Dhoties	28 to 27	4 to 7	1-2 to 1 1-4	@75 to 7·00
Do	30 to 45	8 to 11	1 1-4 to 3 1-4	@50 to 7·00
Dhoties with Fancy Borders	30 to 50	8 to 11	1 to 3	@75 to 7·25
Scool-Gray with coloured lines	24 to 38	24	3 to 6	@25 to 7·50
Checks	24 to 27	24	5 to 8	@50 to 9·00
Drills, Grey	24 to 27	40	8 to 13	@25 to 8·50
Towells and Nap-kins Different sizes				@50 to 7·50

YARNS.—Market Steady.—

Twist	No.	Mule.	Ac.				Per lb.
"	8s	"	"	4 1-4	to	5	"
"	10s	"	"	4 3-8	"	5	"
"	12s	"	"	5 1-8	"	5 7-8	"
"	16s	"	"	5 1-2	"	6 1-4	"
"	20s	"	"	5 3-4	"	6 1-2	"
"	24s	"	"	6	"	6 3-4	"
"	32s	"	"	7	"	8 3-4	"
"	40s	"	"	7 3-4	"	8 1-2	"

Exports of country made yarns from Bombay to China and Japan from the year 1877 to 1899.

		To China (Bales of 400lbs.	To Japan (Bales of 400lbs.	Total Bales.
From 1st Jan. to 31st Dec.	1877...	28,516	142	28,658
Do	1878...	45,838	1,745	47,583
Do	1879...	45,530	4,842	50,372
Do	1880...	63,194	4,527	67,721
Do	1881...	61,783	7,378	69,161
Do	1882...	81,434	9,854	91,288
Do	1883...	94,962	17,421	112,483
Do	1884...	127,318	13,846	141,164
Do	1885...	154,617	19,020	173,537
Do	1886...	196,467	20,542	219,260
Do	1887...	255,516	28,720	284,288
Do	1888...	224,071	54,697	280,768
Do	1889...	244,697	62,220	316,917
Do	1890...	325,049	37,722	362,782
Do	1891...	365,088	10,329	375,577
Do	1892...	385,771	21,445	407,216
Do	1893...	297,272	14,199	311,770
Do	1894...	338,703	10,743	349,446
Do	1895...	374,119	2,515	376,634
Do	1896...	171,093	2,467	173,560
Do	1897...	361,221	645	361,866
Do	1898...	437,645	475	438,120
Do	1899...	578,619	250	579,365

Receipts of various growths of cotton at Bombay to date compared with the corresponding periods in the previous season.

Growths.	Yesterday. Bales of 392 lbs.	Total for the week	Total to date (in Bales) since. January 1st 1900.	January 1st 1899.	October 1st 1899.	October 1st 1898.
Khandeish ...	...	722	4,539	33,995	123,206	77,820	125,667
Barsee and Nugur	...	145	2,106	14,447	31,033	24,717	139,917
Berar.....	...	375	4,394	42,981	202,548	94,836	366,002
Total Oomras	...	1,302	11,147	91,423	361,777	197,363	601,586
Hingunghat ...	...	17	344	3,191	4,687	5,190	7,535
Dhollera	...	214	1,576	9,696	39,115	39,372	77,817
Broach	...	100	707	11,660	4,076	34,631	6,459
Comptes and Dharwar ...	...	...	1,265	6,781	11,118	19,901	22,510
Westerns	...	...	203	698	2,434	1,198	8,005
Bengals	...	1,342	12,843	98,415	75,390	240,280	116,345
Sind	...	...	10,882	271	18,422	588	588
Persian	...	169	400	2,278	29	3,793	94
American.....	...	210	585	2,136	681	6,002	1,414
Egyptian	...	585	613	1,632	287	5,178	361
Other Sorts...	...	...	69	150	5	1,344	5
Total...	...	3,933	30,042	238,845	499,380	572,074	84 2,742

Summary of daily arrivals of Produce into Bombay :—

					qrs.
Wheat ...	...	...	...	...	283,081
Linseed...	...	...	...	...	222,116
Rapeseed	...	...	...	...	125,045
Gingellyseed	...	...	...	...	532,980
Poppyseed	...	...	...	...	11,341
Groundnuts	...	...	...	...	72,881
Castorseed	...	...	...	...	125,739
Rice	...	...	...	...	818,481

Amritsar—Slighly cloudy, but no rain. Rain much needed generally; Crop prospects average.

Moolan—Bright, no sign of rain.

Delhi—Bright, no sign of rain. More rain wanted generally.

Agra—Cloudy but no rain. Cotton arriving in small quantities.

Cawnpore—Crop prospects generally good. Outstanding crops benefiting by fine weather.

Beawar—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy; Cotton arriving in small quatities.

Amraoti—Weather fair. Season will end earlier.

Khamgaon—Rain much needed generally, Cotton arriving in small quantities.

Dhulia—Bright, no sign of rain, cold. Cotton arriving in small quantities. All crops suffering from too little rain.

Julgaon—Bright, no sign of rain, Scarcity of water is increasing.

Broach—Easterly wind; heat and cold. Prospects gloomy.

Viramgam—Bright, no sign of rain. More rain wanted generally.

Wadhwan—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Mornings cold and dewy. Absence of rain causes anxiety. Fodder dear.

Dholera—No rain; cold with dew. Scarcity of grass and water; terrible famine.

Barsi—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton picking general.

Sholapur—Bright, no sign of rain; Rain much needed generally for rabi crops.

Hubli—Bright, no sign of rain. Unusually hot. Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton arriving in small quantities. Cotton crop estimate six annas in a rupee.

Bellary—Cotton picking commenced. Cotton arriving in small quantities.

DIVINE SERVICE.

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral—Cruickshank in E flat. Hymns—291, 313 Ave Verum 544.
5 p. m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by the Lord Bishop of Bombay.—Hymns 172, 282 and 281.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis.—Garrett in F.
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 4-45 p.m.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.
The offertories are for the St. George's Nursing Fund.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.

(Afghan Memorial Church.)

8 a.m.—Missa Cantata (Merbecke)—Hymns 134, 132 and 221.
11 a.m.—Choral, Matins and Sermon. (Parade Service)—Hymns 33, 445 and 172.
6 p.m.—Choral, Evensong and Sermon.—Hymns 282, 224 and 218.

BOWEN MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

(Behind the Apollo Hotel.)

9-45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a.m. and 6 p.m.—Sermon by the Pastor.
Wednesday at 6 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.
All seats free, and strangers cordially welcomed.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, (Colaba Causeway).

8 a.m. and 6 p.m.—Parade Service, Rev. W. Seed.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
8 p.m.—Social Hour.

Wesleyan Church, Byculla.

9-30 a.m. and 6 p.m.—Rev. F. R. Atkins.
10-30 a.m. and 4-30 p.m.—Marathi Service, Rev. S. Rahator.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, FORT. (Church of Scotland.)

11 a.m.—Joint Service. Psalm 121 tune 80; Hymns 344, 11 and 44.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Service. Psalm 119 v 33 tune 83.—Hymns 233, 39 and 101.
Anthem—Now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace.

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND. (Waudby Road, Esplanade.)

4-30 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible classes.
6 p.m.—Evening Service.
Hymns 190, 139 and 271. Psalm 34.
11 a.m.—Joint Service in St. Andrew's Church.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon by Rev. F. Paynter.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon, by Rev. F. Paynter.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, ESPLANADE. (Near School of Art.)

Incumbent—Rev. C. Gilder.

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Communion—Hymns 231, 320 and 178 part 1.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon—Hymns 290, 282 and 274.
The offertories for Church expenses and poor relief.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Choral Eucharist. Preacher Rev. Fr. Nicholson.
10 a.m.—Children's Service.
10-45 a.m.—Matins.
6 p.m.—Choral Evensong. Preacher, Rev. Fr. Tovey. Alms for general expences.

ST. NICHOLAS (SEAMEN'S) CHURCH. (Prince's Dock.)

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion by Rev Hatchell—Hymns 5, 227 and 320.
4-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.—Hymns 172, 229 and 300.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, PAREL. (Madras time.)

8-30 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Choral—Hymns 320, 322 and 197.
3-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.—Hymns 255, 235, 302 and 2-51.

ST. STEPHEN'S, BANDORA, CHURCH.

11 a.m.—Matins, Sermon and Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

HOME REMITTANCES.

The following is the weekly memorandum of remittances to the Home Treasury by means of Council Bills of the 14th February, 1900 :—

	£
1 Amount to be remitted during 1899-1900	17,000,000
2 Remitted from 1st April, 1899, to 10th Feb. 1900	16,766,900*
3 Balance to be remitted from 11th Feb. to 31st March, 1900	233,100

* Includes £1,500,000 on account of gold held by the Secretary of State for India under Act II of 1899.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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BOMBAY.

DEATH.

TARACHAND—February 16, at 3-30 p.m., at her residence, 10½, Frere Road, Fort, Bombay, Bai Merbai, widow of the late Mr. Cursetjee Jehangier Tarachand, and daughter of the late Mr. Rustomjee Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, aged 60. Deeply regretted. Funeral this day (Saturday) at 3 a.m.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

CALNAN—REID—January 20, at the Roman Catholic Church, Gorakhpur, Denis Calnan, Indian Civil Service, to Florence, youngest daughter of Donald Reid, Esq., formerly of Maniari, Behar.

DEATH.

SCOTT—February 4, at Nahan, Colonel T A Scott, A M S, retired, Chief Medical Officer, Sirmur State.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

☞ ALL communications intended for publication in our columns should be addressed to the Editor and not to any individual member of the staff.

The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1900.

LORD ROBERTS is engaged in a deeply interesting series of operations, the object of which is to cut off the communications of the enemy entrenched at Magersfontein in front of Lord Methuen's force at the Modder River Station. To effect this General French, with three brigades of cavalry, mounted infantry and some artillery, on or about the 14th instant, crossed the Modder River, occupied hills to the westward, and capturing three laagers. Gordon's Brigade seized two drifts and two laagers to the west. The Commander-in-Chief praised French's movement as a brilliant affair considering the excessive heat and blinding duet prevailing. He was at the Modder at Klip drift, twenty-five miles from Modder River Station; the subsequent advance northward would interrupt the communications between the Boers at Magersfontein, Jacobsdal and around Kimberley. Our correspondent informs us that General Wood with the Scots Greys captured Zoutspan Drift, "the easiest route to Kimberley." We now learn that on Thursday evening General French reached Kimberley, Lord Roberts, evidently regarding the relief of the Diamond City as at hand, on Wednesday promised Mafeking, far to the north, deliverance within a few weeks. In his forward movement French, unencumbered with infantry and with only a light equipment of artillery, was as mobile as the Boers' themselves, but he was nevertheless running the serious risk of being surrounded by a far larger force of the enemy. Moreover if their supply at Magersfontein and Jacobsdal is endangered he is himself in the same predicament, for his supplies must come from the railway head at Modder River station and run the gauntlet of the enemy's patrols, which would be on the look-out for the transport trains. The Sixth Division crossed the Riet River and on the 14th was advancing to support French's Cavalry Brigade. The Seventh Division, at Dikels Drift, was to move in the same direction on Thursday, the 15th instant. With this reinforcement of 20,000 men General French may be expected to hold his own against the enemy, and Kimberley is safe. Lord Roberts apparently contemplated some coup for on congratulating the Highland Brigade a few days since on its recent achievements he told them that he counted on their help in the important operation then on hand. He may contemplate the closing in of Cronje's force at Magersfontein and giving that General the alternative of coming out to fight a pitched battle in the open or being starved into surrender. It is however difficult to suppose that the mobile enemy will be content to see himself enveloped when he can, before the Sixth and Seventh Divisions reach Kimberley, advance and strike their line of communication. He has the further alternative of moving westward into Griqualand where the white population is mostly Dutch, and sympathises with the Republics. Kimberley is presumably relieved but the Boer army is still in being, ready either to countermarch the British and threaten the railway or to hang on the flanks of any force sent into the Free State.

After the rude awakening experienced by Methuen and Buller when they seemed to be marching to assured victory it is well to observe caution while this daring but very complicated movement is incomplete. French is some marches ahead of the two divisions moving northward to his support—with a day's interval between them. It would be contrary to the Boer tradition to assail either of these divisions in the open, but the temptation to harass their transport columns, extending over some twenty miles of open country, will be well nigh irresistible. While General French with his cavalry and mounted infantry were moving north, the Boers were gathering in unexpected force near Rensburg. All the positions to the westward, including Coles Kop had to be abandoned. The fighting at Rensburg was so severe and continuous on the 12th instant, that it was feared that it would be impossible to hold it. General Clements, who is in command, reported that the enemy attacked in force and that Colonel Conighan of the Worcesters was killed and there were other casualties. Rensburg was evacuated on Thursday, and the Boers attempting to follow up the garrison were roughly handled. The possession of Coles Kop, Rensburg and the surrounding district will facilitate invasions into Cape Colony, and attempts upon the railway south of the Modder. It is however imprudent to make any forecast until there is some authentic information as to the distribution of the immense reinforcements which now or in the next few weeks will give Lord Roberts an army nearly 200,000 strong. When Mr. Winston Churchill, after escaping from Pretoria, informed the British public that 250,000 troops would be required to bring the war to a satisfactory conclusion every one believed that the estimate was wildly excessive. It exceeded by a hundred thousand that of the German Staff Officer who wrote to the "Times" in November that the reinforcements then contemplated would be quite insufficient, and that even with over one hundred and fifty thousand men the war would probably last for two years. Now we find that the Defence Committee of the Cabinet have almost come up to Mr. Churchill's ideal. With 194,000 troops to deal with the Boer enemy, the Government have set about organising a field army of 130,000 men for the defence of the Empire, which will be "a reservoir for further reinforcements for South Africa." General Joubert and his foreign military advisers have laboured only too successfully to bring about a revolution in the army organisation of Great Britain surpassing the most sanguine expectation of Sir Charles Dilke and Mr Arnold Forster. An addition of 30,000 Regulars, 258 guns and seven cavalry regiments will be supplemented by auxiliaries, numbering 50,000, giving a total of 600,000. How the necessary recruits will be obtained when the war fever no longer inflames the patriotism of the country is a problem not yet solved. The press is sceptical as to its satisfactory solution under the system of voluntary enlistment, but rejoices that conscription is not to be resorted to.

If the army as it existed before this perplexing war broke out, had been able to obtain the 37,000 recruits required to make good the annual requirements we might be more hopeful that the increased numbers will be forthcoming. That, however, is a matter for the future. What is of pressing concern is that the enormous total of the force now in South Africa is largely composed of militia, volunteers and Imperial yeomanry notoriously below the required standard of drill and discipline. Hitherto there has been no question of the steadiness and perfect reliability of our regiments but no military man can look

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

SUCCESS OF LORD ROBERTS' TURNING OPERATIONS.

RELIEF OF KIMBERLEY.

CAPTURE OF JACOBSDAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, FEB. 16.

The War Office has received information at on Thursday General French's column ieved Kimberley.

Lord Roberts advancing on Jacobsdal in the ange Free State captured and occupied that ition. These successes make the relief of feking a matter of certainty before long.

EVACUATION OF RENSBURG.

THE PURSUING BOERS ARE REPULSED.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, FEB. 16.

A telegram from Capetown, dated Thursday, tes that General Clement has been obliged milit reasons to evacuate Rensburg, ich wa iously attacked on Wednesday.

The ene emboldened by their apparent cess, attempted to improve their advantage following up the retiring garrison. When y were pressing upon the British force, y were met by a heavy fire and repulsed h some loss.

The Inniskilling Dragoons made a brilliant rge which put an end to the pursuit.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

KIMBERLEY RELIEVED BY GENERAL FRENCH.

LONDON, FEB. 16.

It is officially announced that General French ched Kimberley on Thursday evening.

UNREST IN ZULULAND FROM BOER RAIDS.

LONDON, FEB. 15.

In the Commons, this evening, Mr. Chamberlain id the Boer raids in Zululand were causing serious arm and unrest among the natives, and the Governent of Natal had declined further responsibility for eeping the peace among the Zulus.

Mr. Chamberlain added that Government had ecided that if the native territories in South frica were deliberately invaded to encourage and sist the natives in every way to defend themselves.

EVACUATION OF RENSBURG.

LONDON, FEB. 16.

A "Daily Chronicle" despatch from Capetown, ated 14th inst., states that it is reported that the British have evacuated Rensburg and retired on Arundel.

THE DEFENSIBILITY OF THE INDIAN FRONTIER.

Lord George Hamilton, speaking at Cheswick, said hat the Boer successes show the defensibility of the ndian frontier and that the bigger the hostile army hat was there the larger would be its graveyard.

SIR E. MONSON IN PARIS.

Sir E. Monson has returned to Paris.

ARMY VOTE IN THE COMMONS.

The Commons have voted the increase to the Army by 230 against 34 votes.

DISCUSSION ON THE SITUATION IN THE LORDS.

In the Lords, Lord Kimberley said that he shared Lord Rosebery's views regarding the danger of the situation. His Lordship referred to the pressing question of the Indian frontier, the consequences that would attend the eventual death of the Ameer, and to the Russian activity on the Afghan frontier.

Lord Salisbury declined to discuss Russia's motives, and said we should follow our forefathers' example and not be downcast. He believed the proposals were adequate, and unforeseen emergencies should be met with a stout heart.

INCREASES TO THE ARMY.

It is officially notified that six new horse and fifteen Field batteries and three battalions of infantry are to be formed.

DESPATCH FROM LORD ROBERTS.

LATER.

Lord Roberts wires from Jacobsdal to-day that eneral French with a force of Artillery, Cavalry d Mounted Infantry reached Kimberley on ursday evening.

THE ABANDONMENT OF RENSBURG CONFIRMED.

Reuter wiring from Arundel says that General uments was forced to abandon Rensburg on the ht of the 13th and has arrived at Arundel. The ers are following up rapidly and reoccupying their positions on the Jarbosch Hills from which they shelling our Cavalry patrols.

BOER DESPATCH FROM COLESBERG.

A Boer despatch from Colesberg describing the iving in of the British posts says that the British t two Maxims and about 200 men and that the er losses on one flank were thirty.

THE QUESTION OF EMPLOYING INDIAN TROOPS.

Mr Balfour replying to a question regarding the employment of Indian troops in South Africa id he need hardly say there was no analogy resemblance between the natives of South Africa d Indian troops.

We should, he said, be proud to welcome the aid of e latter in any ordinary war, and if the Boers adopt course inconsistent with the tacit agreement to conthe war to the two European races, Government uld hold itself free to re-consider its decision.

MAFEKING ALL WELL.

LONDON, FEB. 15, 6-30 A.M.

Mafeking was all well on the 4th inst. and again on ll rations.

Colonel Plumer is actively operating against the oers at Gaberones, but his progress southward is ampered by heavy rains.

PRESS OPINION ON THE ADVANCE.

The newspapers are gratified at General Roberts' tiful eastward advance on the Free State, which ey consider cuts off direct communication between agersfontein and Bloemfontein.

THE CASUALTIES AT RENSBURG.

LONDON, FEB. 15.

The casualties at Rensburg, from the 10th to 12th, ere as follows :—

KILLED.

Three Australian officers and ten men.

WOUNDED.

Captain B. Thomas, Worcesters.
Lieutenant Carr, Worcesters.
Lieutenant Buxton, Worcesters.
Lieutenant Brown, 2nd Wilts.
Two Australian officers and eleven men.

MISSING.

Captain Stubbs, Worcesters, (who was wounded), ne Australian officer and eleven men.

The list is still incomplete.

LORD ROBERTS' TACTICS.

FEB. 15.

None of the drifts and places mentioned by Lord Roberts are discoverable in maps, but it is understood that he has got so far towards turning the Magersfontein positions besides strongly establishing himself on the Boer direct line of communications.

CASUALTIES AT COLESBERG.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEB. 16.

The "Indian Daily News" cablegram, dated London, 15th Feb., states :—At the Colesberg fight on Monday, the Boers outnumbered the British at a ratio of seven to one and were led by an ex-French Officer, Colonel De Villebois Mareuil. Amongst the wounded is Lieutenant Churchill, Winston's brother, who was shot in the leg. A six-inch naval gun was lost in Lord Dundonald's recent reconnaissance. General White has warned the Ladysmith Garrison that the enemy are in possession of large quantities of British soldiers' uniforms, in which they may disguise themselves.

A Ladysmith resident has been sentenced to one year's hard labour for circulating falsehoods to depress the troops and for advising them to desert.

Colonel Baden-Powell writes that Mafeking can hold out till June.

ENHANCED SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE.

The Secretary of State has sanctioned enhanced subsistence allowance to the wives and children of British soldiers serving in South Africa when note 1st provided with quarters. The grant takes effect from January.

LUMSDEN'S HORSE.

The officers, as you have already announced, that are likely to be appointed to Lumsden's Horse are now gazetted.

CASUALTIES AT LADYSMITH.

The following casualties have been reported from Ladysmith :—Between 9th and 14th February—Died of disease, 1st Devonshires, Privates H. Davidson and E. Swandell ; 2nd King's Royal Rifles, Privates W. Kitchen, F. Clarke, W. Mahon, S. Donegan, and W. Knee ; 19th Hussars, Private T. Cousins, Sergeant J. Craig. 21st Field Battery, Gunners W. Saunders and E. Biffen. 1st Gloucesters, Private H. Waile, 5th Dragoons Lance Corporal H. Gosage, and Field Battery, Driver J. Barry.

TEN THOUSAND FOREIGNERS WITH THE BOERS.

A LETTER FROM JOUBERTS CAMP.

The home papers have had placed at their disposal an interesting letter written by a Hanoverian officer, formerly a Major of the 22nd German Infantry and now a Colonel on the personal staff of Count Georges Villebois de Mareuil, who, with the rank of Major-General, is acting nominally as Military Adviser to the Boer Commandant General, and who, in point of fact, has assumed the actual direction of the operations around beleaguered Ladysmith.

He writes :—"I am lost with amazement when I read, in my few idle moments, through the bundle of newspapers that arrive in camp every month or thereabouts. So great is the conceit of the English and so little is their knowledge of a really national war, that it seems that not only their army but every class and section of the population are filled with the idea of victory and imbued with the spirit of defiance to all Europe. How they propose to achieve a decisive military success in this country, and at the same time to board the Great Powers I utterly fail to see. For they have no means of supporting their ambitions and their pride.

"Where a great war if concerned there is no English army. Do not laugh, my comrade, it is no absurdity which I write to you, but sober truth. It is on the high authority of my chief, Colonel de Villebois de Mareuil (who, as Major-General, is Chief of the Staff) that I say once more "There is no English army." There are soldiers—yes, I have seen through my field glasses as many as five or six thousand at one time and occasionally the strength of a whole infantry division—has been collected—but never in the actual combat have so many English soldier been near or under fire. These soldiers regimental officers and men fight as well as our regiments but they do not compose an army in our sense of the word. Let me give you a certain proof of this. After the declaration of war, War Minister Marquess of Lansdowne said he was prepared to mobilise without delay one Army Corps. I had just arrived at Pretoria when this so curious a declaration was made, and I naturally said to myself, this body of which Excellency Milord Lansdowne speaks must be obviously the advance guard of the army of South Africa to watch the frontier until a force could be transported to this country by a swift series of blows, to crush all opposition of the federal commandos. You can then judge of my astonishment when I learnt that on all these points I was mistaken, and that in order to send a single corps into the field it was necessary to call out the English Reserves—for they had no body of troops representing a complete corps ready to march into the ships on an emergency.

"Also that as they have found it necessary to organise a Second Corps, they have had to mobilise for active warfare several battalions of their militia, although this branch of their landwehr has not been, I believe, in the field since (never to be forgotten by our Army) the great battle of Waterloo. And then these militia are drafted into the regular regiments. Now, so dire is the need of the English for a fighting force, that the militia have been sent out to Africa in their militia battalions, although many of the militiamen (as they are called) cannot shoot sufficiently well to be sent to the front.

"I wonder what these wonderful English would do if their War Minister and Chief of the Staff had to mobilise twenty Corps !

"I expected—as who would not ?—that I should hear of this shameless English War Minister being assailed on all sides with bitter complaints, and should read of him in the London "Times" journal as having been called upon to explain what he had done with the 580,000 pounds sterling which had been given to him. Nothing of the kind has as yet taken place, and from what I read here it seems that he is regarded as an active and clever War Minister, more capable than any of his predecessors. From this one can form a fair judgment of what must have been the character of War Minister Sir Bannerman and the Privy Councillor Stanhope. In our country a War Minister who left the nation in such a position of danger as England now is would be ordered by our War Lord to imprisonment in a fortress. Our comrades will agree with me.

"We will not long from the end of February receive the capitulation of this town. The ammunition and the medicines and the green food, and the antiscorbutics are exhausted to an end with the English, and their hospitals are crowded with sick. Owing to the strength of the position we hold—a circle of heights like Sedan, but of greater altitude and further removed from the town—we cannot be brushed aside except by a relief column exceeding us in numerical strength by two to one, and that force the English cannot concentrate for the special purpose of freeing General White for at least two months to pass. At the small action fought on the bank of the Tugela river a the other day, we captured two batteries of the new English field guns, ammunition waggons and all complete. All the teams were killed. Besides, as you will have seen by the papers, we took nearly two hundred prisoners. We do not know what to do with all these prisoners. Every day's fighting or reconnaissance increases the number we have to find rations for.

"You remember in our Great War the Chancellor used to say, "What ! more prisoners ? I wish I could have them all with me." I will not write of our military movements, but I will communicate one interesting fact. It is that the normal distance occupied by our field guns, as compared with the English cannon, is very much in our favour. We, as you know, take up much shorter positions than they do. In our drill book a front of 24 guns is allowed in the same line front as would be occupied by 18 English guns. We, using our guns at so much narrow intervals, can always beat down their fire when it is a duel between field guns. We have been steadily capturing the enemy's guns, and you can appreciate how the continual loss of guns injures the morale of an army. The English thought it would be the other way. Before the war they bought a few dozen batteries of Krupp's and Schneider's Creusot quick-firers, and had drilled to their use several detachments of artillery, so that they would be able to at once take into service our guns when captured. This idea of drilling their men to the use of our guns was due to the English colonel of the Royal Field Artillery, called Baron. Colonel Baron is now at the front. One of our spies in England found out about his little plan, which so far has proved previous. "We can, as I write, dispose of along our whole front from the Baron Methuen to Ladysmith, nearly 10,000 trained soldiers from Europe and quitesthree hundred officers."

TRANSVAAL WAR FUND

LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Amount previously advised..	1,37,437	9	7
Mr Jeevanjee Jamsetjee Mody collection on the occasion of a Sermon on Charity	94	0	0
Dr. J O Piers	20	0	0
Mr W A Ressigna	1,890	0	0
H	2	0	0
Lodge Perseverance, Bombay	52	0	0
G P	10	0	0
Mr Ebrahim, Pensioner	24	0	0
Mr B Todd	50	0	0
Political Agent : Eastern State Bharatpore	5	0	0
Lieut P O Roe	20	0	0
Officers of 20th Bombay Native Infantry	129	5	0
Mr R R Sinclair	50	0	0
Official and Unofficial Residents, Jamkhandi	55	12	0
Preventive Staff : Bombay Customs..	462	10	8
Mess Presdt : Meywar Battalion	60	0	0
Mr J Cunningham	19	0	0
H H the Maharajah of Tonk	2,000	0	0
Lodge St John, Secunderabad	65	0	0
Capt and Officers, R I M "Lawrence"	114	0	0
Mr F S Patuck	10	0	0
Lodge Concord	25	0	0
Mr E L Salo	100	0	0
Per Messrs, Arbuthnot and Co.	3,128	0	10
Total	1,45,734	7	1

KING, KING AND CO.

Bombay, 16th Feb. 1900.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

THE PERSIAN QUESTION.

The *Times* suggests that the object of Russian activity at Kushk is to gain advantages in Persia, and your contemporary says we must be prepared to defend our interests in the Persian Gulf and Southern Persia against the world.

THE FAMINE FUND.

The Mansion House Famine Relief Fund has reached £35,000.

THE GOVERNOR ELECT OF BOMBAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEB. 16.

A Gazette extraordinary issued to-day announces the appointment of Lord Northcote of Exeter to the Order K.G.C.I.E.

SURPRISE OF VILLAGES.

The Political Officer at Miranshah, yesterday morning, surprised two villages, eight miles off. The search of the badmashes, capturing 44 prisoners and 40 camels. The surprise was complete. No resistance was offered.

A BOAT BURNT DOWN.

RANGOON, FEB. 16.

A boat belonging to the Ordnance Department was burnt on the Rangoon river. Six of the boat's crew died from injuries received and three are missing. The boat was engaged in throwing damaged gun powder in the river and in consequence of a strong tide was unable to reach the Syriam Battery and was forced to pull alongside the bank for the night, some miles down the river. Here the fire broke out.

THE SUPREME COUNCIL.

CALCUTTA, FEB. 16.

At the Viceroy's Legislative Council, to-day, replying to Mr. Charlu's questions Mr. Ibbetson explained that Government pays to Reuter Rs. 1,200 monthly for telegrams supplied to Government, and sends their messages inland at deferred rates, though treated as urgent. The Whipping Bill was then passed after prolonged discussion over the amendments. Mr. Woodroffe's amendment making rape liable to whipping in areas proclaimed by Local Government was accepted, Messrs. Charlu and Rees being amongst the non-official members who spoke in its favour. Mr. Mehta's amendment requiring Government to specify by notification every offence to which whipping will apply was negatived by the narrow majority of eleven to nine votes, Messrs. Ibbetson Evans, Rees, and Raleigh opposing it and Messrs. Woodroffe, Bose, Harnam Singes Charlu and Toynbee supporting. Mr. Woodroffe's amendment requiring magistrates in each case to investigate ages of those sentenced to whipping was negatived by a large majority as was also Harnam Sing's amendment giving right of appeal to boys sentenced to whipping, Mr. Rees in course of debate strongly urged the desirability of the early introduction of the Act to codify the whole law relating to whipping. The Companies Registration Bill was also passed. Mr. Dawkins explaining that in deference to the almost unanimous recommendation of the Chambers of Commerce provision limiting the operation of this Bill to companies of at least three years' standing and with capital of not less than twenty lakhs had been withdrawn. Exemption from Indian stamp and probate duty of stock registered under this Act paying these duties at home will be notified to-day. The proceedings closed with a reference of the Burma Courts Bill to a Select Committee

The Council will reassemble in 2nd March.

FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

There was a large gathering at the Town Hall to-day to raise funds for famine relief, H. E. the Viceroy presiding. It was announced that subscriptions amounting to over four and half lakhs of rupees were subscribed by Calcutta alone. H. M. the Queen has given a thousand pounds, the Maharajah of Durbhanga 1-12 lakhs, the Maharajah of Hutwa one lakh, the British India Steam Navigation Company Rs. 80,000, Messrs. Ralli Brothers Rs. 30,000, the Maharajah of Burdwan, Rs. 10,000, and numerous Calcutta firms sums ranging from five to ten thousand rupees each. H. E. the Viceroy said that every giver of a rupee might reasonably to have brought light and hope into the life of some peasants where before there was despair. Unlike the last Famine Relief Fund the present one will be distributed in native just as in British territory.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS

Captain Davies, 2nd Royal Irish Regiment, officiates A. A. D. C., to General Nicolson, Commanding the Mhow District, until 1st April.

Captain Walker, 1st Royal Fusiliers, Nasirabad, is transferred home to 4th battalion on promotion.

Major Mackenzie, 2nd Suffolks, Quetta, is ordered to proceed to South Africa to command 1st battalion, vice Major Watson, killed in action.

Assistant Surgeon J. K. Thomas, Bombay, goes on pension.

W. J. Woodthorpe and W. Underwood receive a step each in the Bombay Ordnance Service.

Colonel R. A. Prideaux, General List Bombay, is permitted to retire from the service.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

POONA, FEB. 16.

The Bombay Command head-quarters will be re-established at Poona on the 18th instant.

Brigadier-General Brownrigg, British Service, on vacating the command of the Sind District, is permitted to proceed to England, travelling at public expense

Lieutenant-Colonel Mortimer, Assistant Adjutant General, is posted to the Deesa District.

The undermentioned officers have passed for retention in the Indian Staff Corps :—Lieutenant Shuttleworth, B. L. I. R. A. M. Corps ; and Captain Jackson, temporarily deputed to the Bombay Command, under instructions from Army Head-quarters, India, is posted to the Sind District.

Under instructions received from the War Office it is notified that Major Harrison, on promotion to that rank from 27th Battery, has been posted to 104 Battery, Royal Field Artillery, and is to be sent home as soon as possible.

Captain Wyatt, on promotion to that rank, from No. 7, M. D., has been posted to No. 27 company, W. D., R. G. Artillery, and is to be sent home as soon as possible.

Captain Hickie, 34th Battery R. F. Artillery, has been posted to the depot R. H. A. and is to be sent home as soon as possible.

Captain Godfrey Fawcett, 58th B R. F. Artillery, has been posted to S. S. Battery, R H. Artillery, and is to be sent home as soon as possible.

Captain Molesworth, on promotion to that rank from No 8 Mountain Battery, R G Artillery, has been posted to No 4 company, C D R G Artillery.

Captain Corbett, R. G. A., on promotion to that rank from No. 1 Field Battery, H.C., has been posted to No. 18 Company, C. D. R. G. Artillery.

Captain Hall, on promotion to that rank from No. 6 M. Battery, R. G. Artillery, has been posted to No. 8 Company, S. D. R. G. Artillery.

It is notified for general information that in future the issues of medals and clasps according to the system adopted by the War Office, viz., of placing the clasp last earned nearest to the medal, will be conformed to in India.

A fatal shooting accident having recently occurred in the vicinity of barracks the attention of Officers Commanding stations and corps is directed to the necessity for strictly enforcing the provision of para 453, section 7 Army R, V, 2 the prohibiting of the discharge of firearms in or near a camp or cantonment.

It is notified for information that regiments of Native Army having no men desirous of transfer to serve with men of their own class under the reorganization scheme and who have carried out transfers sanctioned from time to time, are not required to submit to the Command of Head-quarters the usual monthly transfer return in blank form.

Officers Commanding Regiments, British and Native, should be careful to submit their claims for good shooting prizes to the Military Accounts Department within the current financial year ending 31st March, 1900.

The undermentioned Warrant Officer has been permitted to return to duty :—Subordinate Conductor Graveson, Commissariat Transport Department.

The undermentioned Officer has been granted leave of absence :—Captain Ducat, 4th Bombay Cavalry, for three months up to 27th May, 1900, on medical certificate.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

COLOMBO, FEB. 16.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Rome left here for Aden yesterday evening.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Valetta left here yesterday afternoon, and is expected to arrive in Bombay, at noon on Sunday next.

The Austrian Lloyd's s.s. Franz Ferdinand from Bombay, arrived at Hongkong, on the afternoon of the 15th instant.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, FEB. 15.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed easier. Surats dull.

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The Manchester Market has been firm.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	100 15-16
3 per cent. Rentes	100 1-2
2 1-2 per cent. Sterling loan	109 1-2
3 1-2 per cent. Rupee papers	64 1-16
Bar Silver	27 1-2

ARRIVAL OF THE OVERLAND MAILS OF 2ND FEBRUARY.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Arabia, Captain James L. Parfitt, with English mails of 2nd February, arrived in Bombay harbour at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. She brought the following passengers:—

FROM LONDON.

Boan, Mr
Christ27, Lieut S H
Christi-nson, Mr
Duff, Capt G R
Duckworth, Lieut R
Gooch, Mr
Hofter, Mr S M A
Gilmour, Mr A
Heiyar, Lieut E H
Kelly, Mr
Lowsley, Mrs and infi
Martin, Mr and Miss G
Macgregor, Mr G
Mull, Mrs
Panoler, Mr
Robertson, Lieut E
Round, Mr F S
Van Someran, Mrs
Wood, Mr R J
Ward, Lieut E L

FROM MARSEILLES.

Bigge, Mr W
Bevilla, Capt and Mrs
Boyd, Miss
Brigant, Lieut
Gor, Major
Campbell, Mr F
Forbes, Major and Mrs A W
Fraser Grant, Mr A
Goodfellow, Mrs.
Greville, Hon C F
Goodall, Mr M J
Hill, Lieut C H A
Hunt, Mr B
James, Capt and Mrs
Jackson, Mrs and child
Johnston, Mr J C R
Lushington, Mr A W
Morton, Mrs
Morris, Capt and Mrs D O
Moody, Mr V J
Mahrof, Mr
Northcote, Lord and Lady
Ozzard, Capt
Pratt, Major
Poissinger, Miss
Reynolds Mr
Ralli, Mr T
Thorp, Mrs
Tyrell, Major C R
Turner, Mr W
Vannitart, Major
Wallace Jones, Mr

FROM BRINDISI.

Moore, Mr O

FROM PORT SAID.

Lodge, Mr
Kite, Mr E

FROM ADEN.

Mann Young, Mrs.

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, FEB. 2.

THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

There is not much to be added to the cabled summary of the Queen's Speech. As might have been expected the Royal Message contains very little not bearing on the war. Amongst the few exceptions are the references to the Samoan Treaty but these are little more than formal. "A Treaty," we are told, "has been concluded with the German Emperor for the adjustment of rights claimed by the two countries in Samoa, Tonga, and other islands in the Pacific. To a portion of these stipulations the Government of the United States has also been a party." The paragraph in relation to Imperial Federation, in which by the way India is not included, as the Maharaja of Darbangab, judging from his letter to a Calcutta paper, seems to suppose, is as follows :—"A Bill to be introduced at an early date to give effect to the scheme of federation, which has been adopted after the most careful consideration by five of my Australian colonies. I have watched with cordial satisfaction the gradual development of my greater colonies into self-governing communities. I feel confident that the establishment of the great federation of Australia will prove advantageous, not only to the colonies immediately concerned, but also to the Empire at large." This war may help on the larger scheme of federation but no plan yet proposed for federating the Empire has ever contemplated the inclusion of India. Perhaps that may be one reason why Imperial Federation has of late years notwithstanding the growth of loyalty to England on the part of the Colonies, seemed rather more difficult of realisation than it did a decade since. India at any rate can hardly complain of the notice she receives in the Queen's Speech. Still the references to India would have been even more satisfactory if they had referred to the splendid manner in which our own countrymen as well as the ruling Chiefs of Native States had rallied round the Home Government in their hour of difficulty. So far as domestic affairs are concerned the Speech says :—"The time is not propitious for any domestic reforms which involve a large expenditure. Proposals, however, will be made to you for several important changes which are not open to this objection. Amendments are required in the laws which govern Limited Liability Companies and in those which relate to Agricultural Tenancies. Measures for amending the law of Ecclesiastical Assessments and in regard to education in Scotland and for the relief of Tithe Rent-payers in Ireland will also be laid before you. Your attention will also be invited to proposals for better enabling local authorities to aid Secondary and Technical Education in England and Wales ; for controlling the contracts of money-lenders ; for the amendment of the Factory Law, of the Law of Lunacy, and of the Housing of the Working Classes Act. The labours of the Commission appointed by me to inquire into the nature and clauses of accidents to railway servants are now completed. A Bill, framed with the object of lessening the number of such accidents will be laid before you." The time is certainly not propitious for the establishment of old age pensions, which I suppose are meant by the words "domestic reforms which involve a large expenditure." It is difficult now to say when the time will be propitious. Certainly it will not be during the lifetime of the present Parliament.

PARLIAMENT AND THE WAR.

The long despatch from Sir Redvers Buller reporting the saddening but not altogether unexpected news of his retreat across the Tugela after the failure of the magnificent attempt to retain Spion Kop was in all conscience a dreary prelude to the opening of the seventh session of the fourteenth Parliament of Queen Victoria, one of those we hoped that the terrible lessons the nation and the Empire have undergone during the past three months would have had the effect of elevating and curtailing the oratory of our Legislators have been grievously disappointed. Indeed there is a general feeling that neither in the House of Lords nor in the House of Commons have our statesmen risen to the dignity of the occasion. The "Times" hardly exaggerates this feeling when it says that no one has shown in these debates either the power or the will to raise the question out of the rut of small-minded partisan recriminations. "The nation itself" our Parliamentarians are reminded by its spontaneous energy, has given the Government and the Legislature a very decided lead. What we have to lament is that this has not been followed by Parliamentary politicians, who whether in or out of office, have chosen to spend precious time in wrangling over the "nicely calculated less or more" of the distribution of responsibility between the "ins" and the "outs," and between the various departments of the Public Service. The exhibition of the pettiness of party politics, the spirit and the resolution of the people of these islands are misrepresented in the eyes of the world. We cannot be surprised at the contempt and the indignation expressed in many quarters at the way in which this great issue has been handled by Parliament." Lord Rosebery's speech in the Lords and Mr. George Wyndham's in the Commons stand out from the rest on account of their higher tone ; but Lord Rosebery is not in office and Mr. Wyndham, though he will some day be a big man, is only an Under-Secretary. Lord Salisbury utterly failed to move himself so much so that the most influential of the journals which support her Majesty's Government is constrained to describe his accents as hesitating and ambiguous. The worst of it is that to crown the country's troubles the state of parties is such that if this Government were punished for their want of foresight and general blundering throughout the South African crisis it being ejected from power the Opposition is so divided that a coherent Ministry could hardly be formed without bringing in many inferior men. But the Opposition do not desire to take the places of their opponents knowing what an uncomfortable position they would occupy. Mr. Herbert Gladstone stated that in the country the other day. The same thing was said with even greater emphasis last night by Sir Edward Grey. He said : "This amendment, though it is a vote of want of confidence, does not mean any desire to reverse the policy of the Government or to weaken the prosecution of the war. (Cheers on both sides of the House.) We are prepared to help to prosecute the war to the end. (Renewed cheers.) The First Lord of the Treasury has sought to depreciate the value of the help which we might give by insinuating—for that is the proper word to use—that that help would be very limited, that it would stop at a certain point ; that it would stop when the Boers were expelled from British territory. There is no warrant, for that assumption. (Cheers on both sides of the House.) It was Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman who afforded Mr. Balfour an opportunity of making the point which Sir E. Grey canvasses. Certainly Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman led everyone who heard him to believe that he was more solicitous for the expulsion of the Boers from British territory than for the march of our troops to Pretoria. If Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman authorised Sir E. Grey to disclaim the interpretation put upon the words of the Leader of the Opposition by Mr. Balfour, there seems all the more reason for bringing the present unedifying debate to a close ; and to defer sitting in judgment upon the Government until we have brought the war to a satisfactory conclusion. It is a pity if the good effect produced abroad by the steady calmness of the nation under almost unprecedented misfortunes should be lost by the manner in which the crisis is being handled by the body, which is supposed to reflect the sober sense of the country and to be composed of the best amongst its citizens.

THE REUNION OF THE IRISH MEMBERS.

The manner in which the War overshadows all other events is strikingly shown by the comparatively small amount of attention that has been paid to the meeting of the Irish Nationalist party who this time met in Committee Room No. 16, and not in the famous No. 15. The gathering was composed of all sections and the Chairman was Mr. T. Harrington who has devoted so much labour in what at one time seemed the utterly hopeless task of reuniting the groups which came into existence as the result of the ostracism inflicted upon the uncrowned King Charles Stewart Parnell at the bidden of the Nonconformist conscience. Of course the War has brought about this reconciliation or rather coalescence. The watchword is England's difficulty ; Ireland's opportunity. Mr. Redmond to whom the task of moving the principal resolution fell was extremely candid. It was, he observed, no exaggeration to say that now, for the first time since the Union, the power of England was seriously menaced. England's prestige, which had protected her for so long, was at this moment almost shattered, and no man could tell what might not arise out of the situation. It seemed to his colleagues and himself that the power of 80 Nationalist Members of Parliament acting together in the House of Commons might in the near future be enormous in furthering the interests of Ireland and in protecting the interests of liberty generally. The resolution which was adopted unanimously, though according to Mr. Dillon some doubtful members of the party purposely stayed away, reads as follows :—That in the name of Ireland we declare at an end the divisions which hitherto separated the Irish Nationalist representatives, and hereby form ourselves into one united party, in accordance with the principles, and under the constitution of the Irish Parliamentary party from 1885 to 1890. I asked an Irish member of my acquaintance who has always belonged to the less extreme section and would no more think of justifying violent methods than he would think of attempting to fly from Dublin to London if it was an "union de coeurs." "No," he replied without betraying the semblance of irony, "we are all affectionate." Mr. T. M. Healy, however, was not very demonstrative in his display of affection at Wednesday's gathering. After Mr. Dillon and Mr. Blake had spoken in a far from "gunning" manner the chairman invited Mr. Healy to address the "conference" on the resolution. "I am in favour of the resolution," was Mr. Healy's response. "But," said Mr. Harrington, "the conference would like you to address them longer than merely saying that you are in favour of the resolution." But Mr. Healy was unmoved. "I have nothing further to say," was his rather chilly rejoinder. After this the services of the reporters were soon dispensed with. The resolution was put and three whips—not including the erratic Dr. Tanner—were appointed. "The remainder of the proceedings," says the "Times" reporter, "were (*sic*) private." The "Times" naturally chuckles over this open rupture of "the alliance between the Liberal Party and the Dillonites ;" but does not seem to be free from apprehensions that it may be renewed for a consideration when parties in the House of Commons change sides as in the ordinary course of political events they will sooner or later. The "Times," moreover, interprets Mr. Healy's silent acquiescence in the new departure as evidence that it is distasteful to him and pays him the compliment of suggesting that his distaste is due to his now having to give up all hope of the official promotion," to which he "may have" aspired. The "Times" does Mr. Healy no more than justice when it speaks of him as "by far the ablest of the Irish Parliamentary politicians," but it is doubtful if his aspirations are in the direction suggested by that journal. I should say that what he would like most would be to lead the Irish Party in the House of Commons. He has some of the necessary qualities, and he certainly would give his followers plenty of sport.

HOME SUPPORT FOR THE FAMINE.

The decision come to by the Lord Mayor of London not to allow the War to stand in the way of a natural appeal on behalf of the sufferers by the Indian Famine has given the greatest possible satisfaction. Public sympathy has been much stimulated by two letters published in last Monday's issue of the "Times," one written by Mr. J. Sinclair Stevenson of the Irish Mission at Paranij and the other by Professor Ronald M. Burrows, of the University College of South Wales and Monmouthshire, Mr. Stevenson concludes his timely request to the British people to open their eyes to the honorable realities of the case with the following words :—The war has doubtless monopolised the public attention, and must continue to do so to a great degree ; but it would be unfortunate if an erroneous impression should get abroad that the resources of this great Empire are so strained by a conflict with a second-class Power that it is unable or unwilling to come to the rescue of literally millions of starving British subjects in this great dependency. In our Imperialism, Professor Burrows asks so little-minded, our conception of our duty so inadequate, that the danger of South Africa means the forgetting of India ? Have we so little surplus energy, so little power of rising to the responsibilities of a complicated crisis ? It cannot be seriously maintained that we are not actually able to give. We are not at the end of our resources ; we are touched in our armaments, touched a little more, perhaps, in our prestige, but the one thing in which we are not touched, and which it would take a dozen Transvaal wars to touch us in, is our wealth. Money is what India needs. And money we ought to give, and can give. Could anything be better calculated to impress the world with the physical power, and, what is more, the moral power, of Britain than such a gift at such a time ? The *Times* in an excellent leading article expresses agreement with its correspondents, that the war furnishes not only no reason, but even no adequate excuse, for neglect of the needs of India by this country. Indeed it believes that a wholesome diversion of the public thoughts will be afforded if it is brought home to any large number of people that sufferings greater than any which civilized warfare can entail are being silently and patiently borne over vast tracts of country under our sway, and by vast multitudes of people on whom we almost bear the relation of a subordinate Providence. It will do us good to be compelled to think of other troubles and other anxieties than those which are now falling so heavily upon numbers of English homes ; and our emotions as well as our charities may find wholesome outlets among the millions of our starving fellow-subjects. The leading journal whose admirable sentiments find an echo in other organs of the Press, adds :—There could be no more fitting response to the malicious carpings of some of our Continental critics than to show, by deeds rather than words that the conduct of the struggle from which they profess to anticipate the downfall of the Empire will not even be suffered to interfere with the accustomed workings of the Imperial organization, or with the accustomed outflow of the Imperial charity. About a week before the "Times" thus supported the demand for a Mansion House Fund, Lord Mayor Newton had written to the Secretary of State for India expressing a wish to open such a fund, though it can hardly be expected—I am not quite so sure of that—to reach the splendid results either of 1877 or 1897. After putting himself on telegraphic communication with the Viceroy, Lord George Hamilton informed the Lord Mayor of his Excellency's intention to make India the centre of collection and of his proposal to commence operations by holding a public meeting in Calcutta, on February 16. Lord G. Hamilton concluded :—If your lordship would kindly co-operate with the Viceroy, and on the 16th publicly announce your intention of opening a fund upon these lines, you would be conferring a benefit upon the inhabitants of the famine-affected districts of India for which the Government of India and all those interested in the welfare of the Indian Empire would be deeply grateful." The Lord Mayor in announcing his hearty concurrence says :—"I feel sure that the Lord Mayors and Mayors of England, Ireland, and Wales and the Lord Provosts and Provosts of Scotland will most gladly associate themselves with me in making a successful appeal, and that the clergy and ministers of religion will give their congregations an opportunity of contributing to so good a cause. Much as the sufferers by the war demand our sympathy, the grave distress now prevailing among so many millions of our Indian fellow-subjects makes an equally urgent call upon the benevolence of the Empire, and to that call I am persuaded a bountiful response will be forthcoming." Although the Fund will not be formally opened until the 16th, one well known city banking firm—Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie and Company—have sent the Lord Mayor £1,000.

ENGLISH HELP FOR MR. LELY'S FUND.

On Tuesday evening, at St. Martin's Town Hall, a strong company of artistes, well-known to lovers of music combined with a large and appreciative audience to give satisfactory effect to a suggestion first made by Mrs. Gilmour McCorkell, wife of a former Judge of Ahmedabad, for helping by means of a first-class concert, the efforts which Mr. Lely, Commissioner of the Northern Division of the Bombay Presidency is now making for the relief of sufferers from famine in Guzerat and Kathiawar. The requisite arrangements were made by Mrs. McCorkell in association with Miss E. A. Manning, with the result announced to the audience that the promoters of the concert will be able to remit a substantial contribution to Mr. Lely's Fund at once. The net profits derived by donations by Mr. J. G. A. Baird, Earl Spencer, Lord Harris, Mrs. Barnes and others, and from the sale of tickets amount after the payment of all expenses to about £170 and of this sum £100 will be remitted by the outgoing mail. Among the artistes were Miss Marian Mackenzie, Madame Belle Cole (one of London's greatest favourites), Miss Greta Williams (who will be remembered in connexion with the loss of the Channel steamer Miss Stella), Alicia Needham, Mr. Sam Bert, Mr. Gabriel Thorp, Mr. W. H. Squire notwithstanding his comparative youth is certainly the first

by the Bombay Light Horse, under the command of Captain T. W. Cuffe, and another portion of the Body-guard.

The route from Apollo Bunder to the Government House lay through the native town and was lined by a large number of spectators eager to obtain a glimpse of Lord and Lady Northcote, who were, as the cortege passed along, loudly cheered. The town was gaily decorated for the occasion and everything pointed to the festive day. From the Bunder down to the Bori Bunder station, the road was lined by troops, who presented arms as the party proceeded. The decorations on the road were very pretty, the Bombay Club and other buildings along the line being gaily decorated. Near Sir J. J. School, Messrs. J. B. Bhesania and Co., silk merchants, made a good show of flags and banners, and there was an inscription, "Welcome to Lord and Lady Northcote." The road from Municipal Offices to the Money School presented a very picturesque appearance, being decorated in an attractive manner. There was a profusion of banners and bannerets near the St. Xavier's School, Elphinstone School and Money School. The cortege then came into Kalbadevi Road which was filled several lines deep with spectators who loudly cheered their Excellencies. The decoration along the route was very attractive, Sardar Cassum Mitha, the well-known Mahomedan philanthropist, being responsible for the same, and he spared neither expense nor pains in embellishing the buildings along the whole road up to Pydhownee. The reception along the road was hearty. Passing from Pydownee, Bhendi Bazaar Road, which was profusely decorated by Mukhi Cassambhai Moosa, manager to H. H. Sir Aga Khan, on behalf of his master, was entered. The crowd of spectators near the Sir J. J. Hospital was immense, and there the new Governor received an ovation. The crowds cheered him vociferously and waved handkerchiefs. The carriage then turned towards the Two Tanks Road which presented a gala appearance. At the entrance to the road, there was an inscription, "Welcome to Lord and Lady Northcote by loyal Boras." The road was lined out with flags and banners and bannerets, and near Grant Road Theatres there were also adornments. On Grant Road Bridge was placed an inscription "God Bless our Governor," and a little distance further there was another "Welcome to Lord and Lady Northcote by loyal Boras." Passing Grant Road and Gowalia Tank Road, the party arrived in the residential portion of the town—Cumballa Hill—where European and Parsee ladies came out to welcome their Excellencies. Passing on from Cumballa Hill, the party drove past the Parsee Towers of Silence Road, from which a panoramic view of Bombay can be obtained. The party arrived at the Government House at a quarter past nine, where Lord and Lady Northcote were received by their Excellencies Lord and Lady Sandhurst. In company with Lord Sandhurst, Lord Northcote inspected the Bombay Light Horse under Captain Cuffe, who was presented to the Governor-Elect by Lord Sandhurst. Lord Northcote also inspected the Governor's Body-guards and the guard-of-honor drawn up in the compound.

THE SCENE AT THE APOLLO BUNDER.

Those in charge of the arrangements and decorations made at the Apollo Bunder, may be complimented upon the good taste and skill with which they had been executed. A large and beautiful shamianah, measuring 200 feet in length from east to west and 110 feet from north to south, had been erected at the north-east portion of the Bunder, extending from the precincts of the Royal Bombay Yacht Club and Messrs. W. B. Green and Co.'s Refreshment Rooms eastward to the top of the landing-steps. The western facade of the shamianah was decorated with true artistic skill. The royal coat-of-arms, surrounded by bannerets, was fixed above the main entrance in the middle of a highly polished teakwood gable, which looked pretty with bunting, and curtains of maroon interlaced with gold frills and tapes, along the entire breadth of the western facade was fixed a rich ornamental inlaid eaves-board with a carved cornice. Smaller royal coats-of-arms were similarly placed over the two minor entrances on the northern and southern extremities. The Prince of Wales's feathers and the Star of India contributed to the attractiveness of the embellishment. The ornamental cornice was supported on highly-polished teakwood posts with richly carved corbels. Special pains seemed to have been bestowed upon the embellishment of the eastern facade of the shamianah. A portion of the sea-wall on the eastern boundary of the Bunder was screened off with white and yellow cloth to protect the eyes of the visitors at the head of the landing steps from the reflection of the rising sun's rays playing on the water. At the north-east corner of the shamianah, and overlooking the top of the landing steps, had been erected an ornamental triumphal arch, draped with white and pale yellow cloth, having elegant turrets on the either side with the word "Welcome" between them, with an elegant device displaying Lord Northcote's crest and motto—"Christi-Crux est Mea-Lux." The whole surmounted by a tower over which floated the Union Jack. The front of the arch was embellished with rich maroon curtains interlaced with gold frills and tapes, looped back with gold-cloth bows. The shamianah was throughout beautified with the Prince of Wales's feathers, the Star of India, and a number of mottoes and shields with cross-spiked bannerets, bearing the motto of the Indian Civil Service—"Heaven's light our guide," with the Union Jack surmounting the whole. Plants in flower and foliage and festoons of evergreens and palm leaves made a very pleasant contribution to the embellishment of the shamianah. The roof of the central bay, which was divided into white and yellow with gold frills and tapes, gave a very pretty finish to this part of the decorations. The ground was carpeted, while the main central passage from the carriage way up to the landing-steps was covered with scarlet cloth. The stone staircase leading up from the landing head of the pier was similarly draped. Continuous lines of choice plants, in pots and tubs, added to the general embellishment. The Bunder was further decorated on all sides with elegant venetian posts, surmounted with spiked bannerets. The shamianah had been divided into eight blocks or compartments for the convenience of the different ranks and classes of people who were to be accommodated. Block A was thus reserved near the landing-place for the highest officials and heads of departments; Block B provided with a small platform, was reserved for the Foreign Consuls and Native Chiefs and Princes; Block C for the members of the Municipal Corporation; Block D for other Government officials; Block E for specially invited ladies and gentlemen; and Block F for the representatives of the Press. An open space to the south of the latter was reserved for the guard-of-honour.

Amongst those present at the Bunder were:—Lieutenant General Sir Robert Low, G O B, Commanding the Forces at Bombay, the Hon'ble Mr John Nugent, C S I G C S, and the Hon'ble Sir Charles Ollivant, K C I E, I C S; the Hon'ble Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Kt, Chief Justice of Bombay; the Right Rev Dr Meakthar, Lord Bishop of Bombay; the Most Rev T Daihaff, Roman Catholic Archbishop; Captain Goodridge, R N, Director of Royal Indian Marine; the Hon'ble Mr Justice Parsons; the Hon'ble Mr Justice Candy, Vice Chancellor of the Bombay University; the Hon'ble Mr Justice Budrudin Tyebji; the Honble Mr Justice Mahadeo Govind Ranade, C I E; the Hon'ble Mr Justice Russel and the Hon'ble Mr Justice Crowe; Sir Jamsetji Jejeebhoy Bart, Sheriff of Bombay; Sir George Cotton, Kt.; the Hon'ble Mr H. E. M. James, I C S, Revenue Commissioner in Sind; the Hon'ble Mr. E Giles, Director of Public Instruction, the Honble Mr W. C. Hughes, M I C E, Chairman of the Improvement Trust; the Hon'ble Mr J Tate, M I C E; Chief Engineer and Secretary to Government, Public Works Department; Mr. Dasil Lang; the Hon'ble Mr. Chaze; the Hon'ble Mr A. Mc Dermott, Honble Chairman of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce; the Hon'ble Mr J W P Muir-Mackenzie, I C S, Secretary to Government, Revenue and Separate Department; the Hon'ble Mr Herbert Batty, I C S, Remembrancer of Legal Affairs; the Hon'ble Mr S M Moses; the Hon'ble Mr H F Aston, I C S; the Hon'ble Rao Bahadur Chunilal Venilal, C I E; the Hon'ble Rao Bahadur Achyet Bhaskar Desai; the Hon'ble Mr N G Chandavarkar; the Hon'ble the Chief of Ichalkaranji; the Hon'ble Sir Bhalchandra K Bhatwadekar; the Hon. Mr Ebrahim Rahimtoola; the Hon'ble Mr Gokuldas Kahandas Parekh; the Hon'ble Mr Bamanji Dinshaw Patit and the Hon'ble Mr Gopal K Gokhle, H H Sir Saahu Chatrapati Maharaj, Maharaja of Kolhapur, the Chiefs of Kurundwar Senior and Junior; the Chief of Kagal; Brigadier General F Ventris Commanding the Bombay District; Brigadier General Barlow, Deputy Adjutant General; Mr J Montesth C S I, I C S; Mr A F Woodburn; I C S Secretary to Government in the Plague Department; Mr C T Burke, M I C E, Chairman of the Port Trust; Mr J De C Atkins, I C S, Secretary to Government, General Department; Dr John Pollen I C S, Commissione of Customs; Principal M ron Millar of the Elphinstone College; Professor W M Haffkine, C I E Surgeon General Bainbridge; Mr Otto Emil Remy Herzeneovich Von Szilias, Consul General for Austro-Hungaria; Mr O T Barrow, I C S, Accountant General; Mr E Grey, I C S, Collector of Bombay; Colonel J M Hunter, Political Agent, Kathiawar; Mr Haji Mahomed Khan, Consul for Persia; Colonel Wray, Political Agent, Colhapur; Colonel H Lucas, Chief Commissariat Officer; Mr J Saunders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate; Senhor Visente nunes Tanares Consul-General for Portugal; Mr. W L Harvey, I C S, Municipal Commissioner; Mr C W Chitty, Chief Judge, Small Causes Court; Mr Otto Schiller, Consul General for Chili; Mr J Cornwall, Postmaster-General; Count Pfail, Consul-General for Germany; Major Davidson, R E, Mint Master; Major Alexadde Milne, Assaye Master; Colonel Blanner-Haggett, C M G, Principal Medical officer; Lieutenant-Colone Gonan, Norfolk Regiment; Lieutenant-Colonel Wilkins, I M S; Mons Antoine Vizzavona, Acting Consul General for France; Colonel R S Brown, V D; Mr H S Lawrence, I C S, Under Secretary to Government, Revenue Department; Mr R J Lovell, I C S Under Secretary to Government, Political Department; Mr Claudio Boggiano, Consul-General for Italy; Mr F Hutchinson, Examiner Accounts P W D; Captain J K Condon, I S C; Under Secretary to Government, Plague Department; Mr M H Starling, Barrister-at-Law; Mr. A K Oliver, Master in Equity, High Court; Mr M Noma, Consul-General for Japan; Mr C Hummel, Consul-General for Liberia; Mr C W Freese, Consul-General for Netherlands; Mr C C Boyd, I C S, Assistant to the Collector of Bombay; Mr R J Dawson, M I C E, Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Department; Mr Mirza Abas Ali Baig, Oriental Translator to Government; Mr J H Da Boulay, Deputy Municipal Commissioner; Mr H Kennedy, Commissioner of Police; Mr F W Bikkel Consul General for Norway and Sweden; Major, Crimmins, V C, I M S, Health Officer of the Port; Major Mayne, R E; Don P D Cassio, Consul General for Spain; Major Bannerman, I M S, of the Plague Laboratory; Mr Playford Reynolds; Mr. S Baboch; Mr G A Anderson, Officiating Consulting Engineer and Secretary, Railway Department; Mr W F Fee, Consul General for United States of America; Mr H K Howard, officiating Under Secretary to Government, Railway Department; the Archdeacon of Bombay; Major Lloyd Jones, Deputy Assaye-master; Mr Kawasji Dadabhoy Rustomji, Vice Consul for Persia; Dr L. P De Rozario, Consul General for Portugal; Major Stanton, D S O, Assistant Military Secretary to General Sir Robert Low; Major C P Triscott, D S O, Assistant Adjutant General Bombay District; Mr G Gill, Deputy Commissioner of Police; Dr T C Barry, Chemical Analyser to Government; Major Ogilvie R A; Major Cahusac, 21st Bombay Infantry; Major A E Aitkin, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General; Major Mitchell, 21st Bombay Infantry; Mr T M Pilgate, Inspector General of Prisons; Captain Crawford and Scholfield Deputy Assistant Adjutant General; Captain Menzis, Commanding Colaba Depot, Captain Low, A D C to General Low; Captain, Wilkinson, A D C to H E Lord Curzon; Captain, Chandal B I M, Mr W S Mangan, Assistant Secretary to Government Political Department; Captain Cuppage, of the Plague Department; Captain Macdonald, I M S, Secretary to Surgeon Generals; Captain H R F Anderson, commissariat store keeper General; Rao Bahadur Wiechund Deep chund, C I E, Captain Charpell, R I M; Mr M H Hakim, Judge Small Causes, Court; Mr J W S Dracup, Presidency Magistrate; Rao Bahadur Ganesham Nilkant Nadkerney; Surgeon Major Dimmock; Captain Bowen, Ordnance Officer; the Rev Dr H Henriques; Lieutenant W Vines R I M; Lieutenant Hamilton, R I M Lieutenant Baker R I M; Rev Mr Hall; Captain Palls, and Lieutenant Young R B V A; Mr. Grattan Geary; Major Fitzgerald; Lieutenants Bevlis and Young, Assistants and Store keeper General; Lieutenant Brown, of H M S Magadala; Major H T Butcher, Commanding R. A.; Lieutenant French; Lieutenant Brackenbury; Captain Tomkins, Ordnance Officer; Lieutenant Plummers; the Rev C M Barham; Captain Kendall, R H; Captain Triscott; Lieutenant Skeen; Mr James H Veeves; Mr N M Lalkaka; Mr R G E Westbrook; Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak Kurtas Mr Minocher Edulji Morris; Sardar Cassum Haji; Mitha; Mr F D Spencer, Registrar Small Causes Court, Mr C L Burns; Mr Edulji Rustomji Reporter; Rev Mr W H Walbrath, Rev Mr R MacOmish; Rev Mr H Bacham; Mr Nusserwanji M Patel; Mr J J Gazdar, Barrister-at-Law; Mr R Shah; Mr J M Akida, Assistant Secretary to Government General Department; Mr K G Dasai, Executive, Engineer, Presidency; Rao Bahadur Trimbak Valdya; Khan Bahadur Byramji Dadabhoy Registrar; Mr J C Dabash; Kazi Ali Mangli; Mr Vinykrao J Shunkerseth, Rao Bahadur Bhaskerrao B Pitale; Rao Bahadur V K Vandekar and others.

MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS.

The whole of the troops in garrison including the Volunteers lined the road from the Apollo Bunder to the Flora Fountain and taking up their alignment at the following places:—(i) Royal Artilery Apollo Bunder, (ii) 1st Norfolk Regiment on the open ground south of the Prince of Wales' Statue, (iii) the Bombay Volunteer Rifles at the Nationa Bank and (iv) Second Bombay Grenadiers and 21st Bombay Infantry at the Flora Fountain. The strength of the Regiments on parade was:—

The Royal Garrison Artillery—8 officers and 400 men, under the command of Major Batcher at the Apollo Bunder.

The 1st Norfolk Regiment—200 rank-and-file was drawn up in continuation of the Royal Artillery, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Govan; the other officers being Major C E Barton, Lieutenants W F L Gordon, D M Oliver, R D F Oldman, H L Hadow and Second Lieutenants H J H Trueman and S J P Scobell. This regiment also supplied a guard-of-honour of 100 rank-and-file under Major Shortt.

The Bombay Volunteer Rifles Corps, 193 rank-and-file, was drawn up in continuation of the 1st Norfolk Regiment, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel E F Nicholson, the other officers on the parade being Captains D J Sharpe, Smith, Dunlop, Snell, Leask, Captain and Adjutant Rogers, and Lieutenants Wilkinson, Phillips and A. R. Thorpe.

The Second Bombay Grenadiers, 153 rank-and-file, took up the alignment in continuation of the Bombay Volunteer Rifles Corps under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel T H Mackenzie and four native officers. The regiment detailed a guard-of-honour of 100 rank-and-file at Government House, Malabar Point.

The 21st Bombay Native Infantry (Marine Battalion)—425 non-commissioned officers and men—took up their position, in continuation, which extended up to the building of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. They were under the command of Major W. F. Cahusac, the other officers on the parade being Major G. W. Mitchell, Major T. R. A. Montgomery and Lieutenant A. P. Waller. They were in khaki.

As the carriage conveying Lord Northcote passed the different regiments and the troops presented arms and bands played the National Anthem.

DEPARTURE FROM LONDON.

Lord Northcote of Exeter, the new Governor of Bombay, accompanied by Lady Northcote, Mr. Claude Hill, secretary, and Captain Greville, aide-de-camp, left Victoria on Jan. 31 in a special saloon attached to the eleven o'clock P. and O. express for Marseilles, travelling thence to Bombay by the Indis. The Countess of Jersey and her daughter also travelled with the party as far as Marseilles, while two of his lordship's secretaries, Mr. G. W. Marriott and Mr. J. Gould, went to Dover only. A large number of distinguished personal friends, India Office officials, and Anglo-Indians assembled on the platform to bid Lord and Lady Northcote God-speed, and two handsome bouquets were presented to her ladyship by the Countess of Jersey and Lady Agnes MacLeod, and as the train steamed out of the station a hearty cheer was given. Those present included the Duke of Norfolk, the Earl of Jersey, Lord Reay, Lord Clifford, Lord and Lady George Hamilton, Lord Chelmsford, Earl and Countess Waldegrave and Lady Mary Waldegrave, the Earl of Halsbury, Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Lord Greville, Lady Crawford, Viscount Villiers, Sir Francis de Winton (comptroller of the Duke and Duchess of York's household), Colonel Egerton (equerry to the Duke of Connaught), Sir William and Lady Lee-Warner, Sir Charles Dalrymple, Sir George Birdwood, Sir Donald M. Wallace, General Sir Owen Tudor Burne, Field Marshal Sir Donald Stewart, Sir Henry Bulwer (formerly Governor of Natal), Sir A. C. Lyall, the Hon. Walter and Lady Margaret Rice, Sir M. Bhownaggree, M.P., Miss Mary Dalrymple Hay, Mr. N. N. Parviz (Bombay), Mrs. Delacour, Mr. Reginald MacLeod, and many others.

INCIDENTS OF THE VOYAGE.

Lord and Lady Northcote arrived at Aden at 4 p.m., on Sunday, by the s.s. India, and were met by General Creagh, Political Resident. During the day no reception could be held, but Lord and Lady Northcote dined at Government House. They went on board the Arabia, into which vessel the mails were transferred, and immediately afterwards started for Aden. On Thursday night the commander Captain Parfitt, gave a farewell dinner to his distinguished passeagers. The health of the Queen was proposed, followed by that of Lord and Lady Northcote. His Lordship replied, and in suitable terms submitted the health of the Captain and Officers of the ship.

During the voyage one of the steward was attacked with small-pox, and on arrival in harbour was removed to the Hospital.

The "Devon and Exeter Gazette" says it has authority for announcing that the Queen has conferred upon Lord Northcote the Order of a Knight Grand Commander of the Indian Empire, and upon Lady Northcote the Order of a Lady of the Imperial Order of the Crown of India.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Southern, Fort Northern and Esplanade	4	5	17
B Mandvi, Chakla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	8	8	61
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Pydhownadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	24	10	64
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Malabarhill	20	7	28
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, Sandhurst, Ramatipura, Parkico, Byculla and Jacob Circle	29	11	85
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	10	8	25
G Mankhu and Worlee	11	2	34
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	34	59
Total	105	85	372
Total plague deaths to date	65,903	57,026	
Same date last year	176	102	229

SMALL-POX.

Attacks	62
Deaths	34

BOMBAY RACES.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1900.

TIME AND ORDER OF RUNNING.

1st Race—The Small Pony Handicap, 3-10 p.m.
2nd Race—The New Importees Plate, 3-35 p.m.
3rd Race—The Final Plate, 4-5 p.m.
4th Race—The Byculla Club Cup, 4-35 p.m.
5th Race—The Turf Club Cup, 5-5 p.m.
6th Race—The International Stakes, 5-30 p.m.
7th Race—The Colaba Plate, 6 p.m.
A special train leaves Church Gate, 2-40 p.m.

Horses struck out after publication of Handicap—
The Byculla Club Cup—Up Guards.
The Turf Club Cup—Shanghai.
The Small Pony Handicap—Orphan and Twilight.
The New Importees Plate—Hark Away.
The Colaba Plate—Forest.

BOMBAY EIGHTH EXTRA MEETING, SATURDAY, 24TH FABRUARY.

ADDITIONAL RACE

Novice Stakes—Winner Rs. 200, 2nd Rs. 50 and 3rd Rs. 25. For Arab Ponies 13-3 and under landed since 1st August 1899, and have not won a race or been placed second in a race at the Bombay Extra Meetings 1899-1900. 13-3 to carry 9st 3lbs W I. Distance—Half mile.

1st Entry Rs. 10 to close at 7 p.m., on Monday 19th February; 2nd Entry Rs. 15 to close at 7 p.m., on Tuesday 20th February; and Rs. 5 in addition if not struck out before 12 noon Friday 23rd February.

Terms Programme &c. Bombay Extra Meeting ap ly.

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Bombay, 19th February, 1900.

SMOKE "RICHMOND GEM"—Cigarettes in pound-air-tight tins of 10, of all Tobacconists.

RUSSIA'S MOVE IN PERSIA.

THE STORY OF THE LOAN.

THE man in the railway carriage sat very bolt upright on reading the news. Russian at it again. It was, of course, only to be expected. We have our little courtesies in South Africa, to the tune of Long Toms and sash-like playthings, and Russia quietly moves a pawn on the Asiatic chessboard. The man in the railway carriage is a patriot, and, small blame to him, dislikes to see his country out manœuvred. The story of the Persian loan is not known to him, for financiers do not proclaim their secrets from the housetops of the City. But there are sides to the question as usual.

"The same loan, which has been hawked about for years, and which could have been secured by the Imperial Bank," was the comment of the "Pall Mall Gazette" at the time of announcement two days ago. That assertion was very near the mark. It is possible to explain still more fully. Not so long ago, twelve or fourteen months ago, to be exact, it would not have been incorrect to say that the Imperial Bank of Persia had the agreement in its safe in Abchurch-lane awaiting signatures. We are open to correction, but if the identical loan now secured by Russia was not offered to a financial group in the City and scornfully rejected, there is another British memory at fault. The security then was the Customs control in the Gulf region. It is understood even that the Imperial Bank made a small advance to the Government at Tehran. In return for this, they actually held the Custom-houses at Bushire, Kermanshah, which controls one of the Baghdad trade routes, and other places. But they gave them up for a very simple reason. Russia, not unnaturally, asked for some compensation for the control of these Custom-houses. Our own financiers would not look at the loan, short of control; would not hear, for instance, of the terms now accepted by Russia, which are so very much less exacting in appearance, and so very much absolute control in reality. Whatever reason, their argument was that mere security of customs was insufficient, and that the promise of control, if such security failed, was unsatisfactory. Russia thinks not, and to-day, it may be suggested, the very financial group which rejected the terms so scornfully is in full agreement with the Russian view. There is a story, which is probably well founded, to the effect that the same people who rejected the terms last year have been complaining during the past day or two because they have not secured them. The story may be true, well founded, but it probably has in it the elements of truth.

To continue the narrative. The Persian Government finding Russia pressing, paid off their little indebtedness to the bank, and expressed, with the usual politeness of the Oriental, their extreme sorrow that negotiations had fallen through. But they wanted the Money nevertheless, and were prepared to pay for it. The Persian Government, too, are an honest Government, even though in our Western notion we may doubt the possibility. But they did not wish to play into the hands of the mollahs and the thousand and one fanatics who are prepared to start bazaar gossip rollicks, at the threat of a Sadr-Azam is not inviolate that he can afford to risk his position and allow the mosque orator to point to the country being enslaved to please the *farenghi* who have turned money-lenders. Nobody knows better than the Shah and the Sadr-Azam that Great Britain has been the friend and protector of Persia for the best part of the century. Nobody knows better than the Russians how to make themselves respected, and that under the velvet there must be the claws. A contest of friendship? Well, of course. Only Persia must have that little loan, whoever the leader may be. And as many little loans as can be secured, for that matter.

But let it be understood that Persia offered good security, was inspired by honest motives, made offers to British financiers, and that those offers were rejected, too. Then we can secure a proper perspective. We can understand also that the Russians are wiser than we in some things, and far more long sighted. In despair, Persia listened to those whispers from the North. A loan, indentical in amount. Security, exactly the terms which the Persians hads thought consistent with their dignity. See what a friend Russia is! Silence in the courtyard of the mosques, in bazaars, and wheresoever cribles of the Government do congregate and make their voices heard. The *farenghi* is no longer desire to enslave the country. And, oh joy! they offer their gold freely, and the Persians, likewise sons of the Prophet, take it. Such a great nation as they are could not have endured indignity but would that some of our financial folk in their City offices could see beyond the length of their noses.

THE ONLY DANGER.

There is one matter which is really rather serious, and to which it is absolutely necessary that the attention of our Government must be drawn, and assurance obtained that British interests are not likely to be neglected. In the security for interest payment, which is given for the loan, it will be noted that the whole of the customs revenue, with the exception of the Gulf portsand the province of Fars, is hypothecated Either this reservation is an important gain to us politically, or it is of very serious concern, it is idle at this time of day to argue that Russian influence must not be allowed to exist. Commercially, Russia must be the Power in the North, just as we are in the South. In the bazaars at Meshed, Tehran, Tabriz, or Resht, it is ridiculous to suppose that Russian commercial influence must not necessarily be very great indeed. Mere geographical situation accounts for it quite sufficiently. It is exactly the same with the British influence in the Gulf district. But we must not ignore the fact that there are other nations at work in Persia. German influence is growing, even though the Germans have let some of their concessions lapse notably the important privileg connected with the formation of a road between Tehran and Baghdad, France is active. Belgium is also at work, but Belgium has often proved merely the cat's paw for some more engaged

ANGLO-INDIAN BREACH OF PROMISE OF MARRIAGE.

(Before Mr. Justice Darling and a Common Jury.)

—Owen v. Moberly.—In this case Miss Rosa Owen, a governess, claimed damages from Mr. Charles H. D. Moberly, for an alleged breach of promise to marry her. The defendant denied that the promise had ever been made. Mr. Ellis Griffith appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. S. A. Cohen was counsel for the defendant. Mr. Griffith stated that the plaintiff went out to India as a governess in 1895, and made the acquaintance of the defendant at Agra, who was a bank agent at that place. An intimacy sprang up between them, and in December 1896 the defendant seduced the plaintiff at an hotel at Cawnpore. She went to a situation at Allahabad, and while there found she was enceinte. She wrote to the defendant and told him this, and he advised her to leave her situation and come back to Cawnpore. She did this, and on Feb. 7 the defendant definitely promised to marry her. The promise was repeated on subsequent occasions. The plaintiff went to various places in India, and again saw the defendant at Lucknow. While there she was very ill and the defendant came to see her and carried away all his letters to her in which the promise to marry was referred to. The plaintiff had begged for those letters back, but the defendant had not returned them. He had been called upon to produce those letters, but they were not forthcoming, and so counsel would have to give secondary evidence of their contents. The plaintiff subsequently went to the hospital at Bombay, and there in September a child was born, of which she said the defendant was the father. In December she came to England, and found that all her friends were estranged from her and she was in reduced circumstances. She had continually appealed to the defendant for help, and reminded him of his promise to marry her, but he had not carried out his engagement.

Miss Rosa Owen, the plaintiff, then gave evidence. She said that in February 1895 she went out to India as a governess, and in 1896 she met the defendant in Agra, where he was agent of the Bank of Bengal. While there she saw him every day, and used to drive with him, and when he left for Cawnpore he gave her several presents, including a gold brooch set with pearls and a silver buckle. After that he wrote to her constantly, and sent her his photograph. In December 1896 witness went to Cawnpore on her way to Allahabad, and there the defendant met her and took her to the Empress Hotel, where he seduced her. She stayed there a fortnight, and saw the defendant every day. After that she went on to her situation at Allahabad, and the defendant wrote to her weekly. She subsequently found that she was pregnant, and the defendant said he would stand by her, and that she had better leave her situation. In February she went back to Cawnpore, and while there he said he was very sorry and he supposed he would have to marry her. On Feb. 7, his birthday, he definitely promised to marry her. At the end of April she went to Calcutta, and the defendant told her to call herself Mr. Charles, under which name he wrote to her. His letters began "Dear Rosie," and were signed "Yours, &c., Charlie." Afterwards at Lucknow she saw the defendant and he took a ring she had bought as his request off her finger, and putting it on again said, "Now you are mine." She was extremely ill at Lucknow, and the defendant looked over all her letters and took away most of those he had written to her, together with some she had received from another gentlemen. He promised on his honour to return them, and though she had continually asked for them he had never done so. In three of these letters he referred to marriage, but she could not remember what the allusions were. The general purport was that if he married her he would not live with her. She went to Bombay, and there the child was born in September. In December she came to England, and she wrote to the defendant every week explaining her position. She was in very poor circumstances, and nearly had to go to the workhouse, all her friends having turned against her.

Cross-examined by Mr. Cohen: She had received, perhaps, about 300*l.* from Mr. Moberly. She wrote a letter on Aug. 10, 1898, to the defendant, in which she said she was in great trouble, but that she never forgot that he had told her he could not marry her, but she expected him to do his duty to the child. Although she had written that, he had always promised to marry her. Mr. Moberly, since the birth of the child, had denied that he was the father. She had told various relations of her own and the defendant's that he had promised to marry her, but there was no such suggestion in any of the letters she had written to them. The witness was closely cross-examined as to her relations with other men at Agra, but she denied she had been intimate with anyone except the defendant.

No other witness being called in support of the plaintiff's case, Mr. Cohen submitted that there was no case to go to the jury, there being no corroborative evidence of the alleged promise of marriage. Mr. Ellis Griffiths contended that the letters which the defendant had written to the plaintiff and which he had taken away from her and had failed to produce in Court, though called upon to do so, would have supplied the necessary corroborative evidence. He had been compelled to give secondary evidence of those letters.

Mr. Justice Darling said that by 32 and 33 Vict., c. 68, section 2, it provided "that no plaintiff in any action for breach of promise of marriage shall recover a verdict unless his or her testimony shall be corroborated by some other material evidence in support of such promise." If, therefore, the plaintiff's testimony was not corroborated by some other material evidence the case must be withdrawn from the jury. The only evidence in the case rested upon the statement of the plaintiff herself, and, therefore, the learned judge said that he was of opinion that there was no other material evidence except that of the plaintiff, and he was bound to withdraw the case from the jury. There was accordingly judgment for the defendant. Mr. Cohen said he should not ask for costs.

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THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON FRIDAY THE 16TH OF FEBRUARY, 1900.

SUMMARY.

There has been a general fall of pressure everywhere, the decrease being brisk to rapid in Sind, Rajputana, Central India and at Deesa, Ahmedabad, Bhuj, Rajkot, Bhavnagar Para, Khandwa, Akola, Malegaon and Belgaum, and generally slight elsewhere. The distribution is somewhat irregular, and the baric gradients are slight.

Winds are very variable in direction, and the force has been generally light.

With but few exceptions, the temperature variations are moderate. The highest temperature in the shade was 100° at Sukkur, and the lowest 47° at Cawnpore.

Humidity changes are locally large, and the skies are cloudy to overcast at Lahore, Nagpur and Coimbatore.

Rain, amounting to about a quarter of an inch, has fallen at Colombo.

The depression noticed in yesterday's report has advanced eastwards and now lies somewhere in the neighbourhood of Jacobabad, where the atmospheric deficiency amounts to one-fifth of an inch. It is a well-defined depression, but the amount of cloud accompanying it is small. The weather is, however, in a very unsettled condition in Sind, the Punjab, Rajputana, Central India and the North-West Provinces, where it is likely to become more or less cloudy. The weather is becoming slightly favourable for local rain in Sind, the Punjab and Rajputana, where fresh to strong winds are likely to blow.

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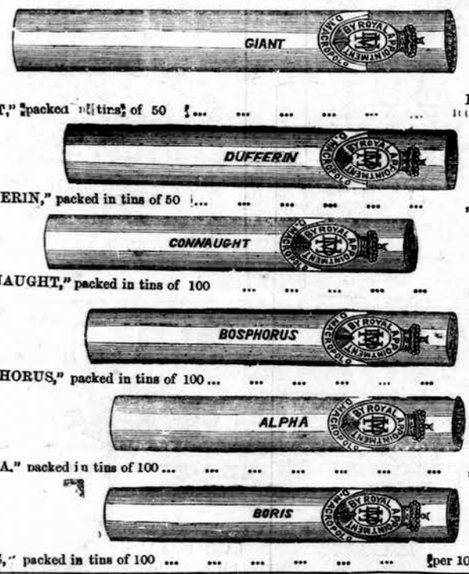

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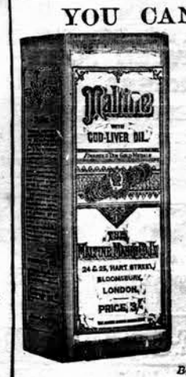

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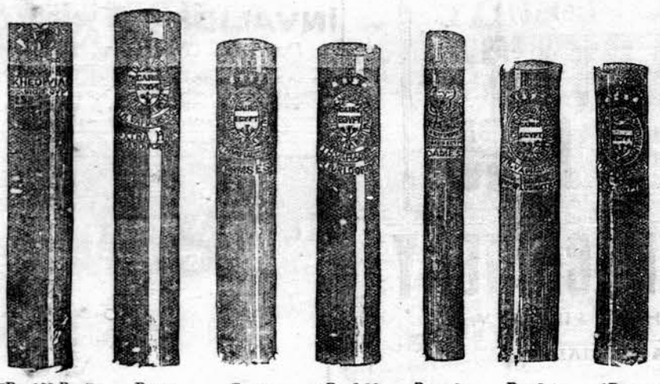

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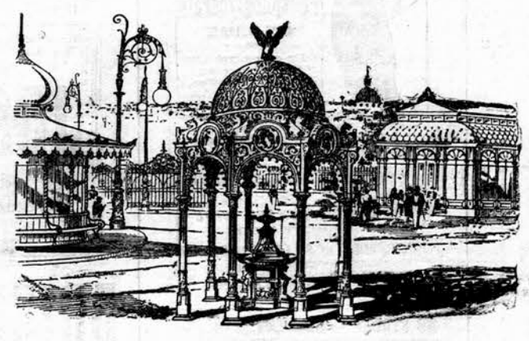

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